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NEWSWATCH



PLO, Israel hail US vote on talks

OCCUPIED Jerusalem, July 21. (Reuter): Israel and its arch-enemy the PLO, giving opposing reasons, both welcomed today a US Senate vote setting conditions on Washington's contacts with the Palestinian group.

Israel called the measure, passed in a watered-down form, a step in the right direction, but the PLO said it had no teeth.

Lanka to post attaché

Help for labour

COLOMBO, July 21. (KUNA): Government will shortly appoint labour attachés to four Middle Eastern countries to handle the country's large work force's affairs, officials said here today.

The officials at the state run Foreign Employment Bureau (FEB) told KUNA, the four attachés will take up their appointments at the Sri Lankan missions in Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, UAE and Iraq, early next month.

"They will look after the interests of Sri Lanka's large work force in these countries," the officials, wishing anonymity, said. "They are being given special training for this purpose currently in Colombo."

The officials maintained the appointing of labour attachés is part of the government strategy to boost employment for Sri Lankans abroad.

Over 200,000 Sri Lankans are employed abroad, most of them in Middle Eastern countries, and their earnings compose a major proportion of the country's foreign exchange earnings.

Last year alone more than 20,000 Sri Lankans gained employment abroad and the foreign exchange earned by the more than 200,000 Sri Lankans was over Sri Lankan rupees 10 billion (\$300 million), the officials said.

Palace to pen for Khashoggi

Big Apple bites

NEW YORK, July 21. (Agencies): It's not easy to maintain the lifestyle of the rich and famous in a federal jail, as millionaire arms dealer Adnan Khashoggi is discovering.

Khashoggi, once one of the world's wealthiest men, is now an inmate at the Metropolitan Correctional Centre in Manhattan — sharing his cell with another prisoner, eating with the other inmates.

"He is not being treated any differently than anyone else," said Alan Stiefel, executive assistant at the prison.

Khashoggi, 53, arrived at the jail on Wednesday after US district judge John E Keenan ordered him held without bail.

The Saudi businessman is accused of mail fraud and obstruction of justice in connection with Ferdinand and Imelda Marcos' alleged rip-off of \$100 million from the Philippine treasury.

It's not Khashoggi's first stint behind bars. He was jailed for a few months in Switzerland.

But there, Khashoggi was afforded some special treatment. He had a cell to himself and sent out for meals to the Schweizerhof, the posh hotel where he was arrested April 18.

These days are over. "He eats the same meals as any other inmate," Stiefel said yesterday.

Morrillo conceded that anything up to \$5 million bail would mean nothing to his client. But he insisted Khashoggi was no risk and would even pay for security guards pledged to keep him in Manhattan.

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Somalia executes 46 2,000 held after riots

NAIROBI, July 21. (AP): Somalia Armed Forces summarily executed 46 men after hundreds died in clashes between security forces and Muslim worshippers in the nation's capital, a human rights group and independent sources said today.

Those executed were among an estimated 2,000 people arrested in house-to-house searches following last Friday's disturbances, said the Africa Watch human rights group.

The group, in a statement released in Nairobi, said the men were rounded up two days after the riots, taken to a beach just outside Mogadishu, the capital, and shot to death.

Africa Watch and other sources put the number killed during the July 14 clashes at about 400, many of whom died when military vehicles armed with

machine guns opened fire on houses in heavily populated Presidential districts.

The human rights group said more than a thousand people were injured, but people were afraid to take their wounded to a hospital for fear of arrest.

Mogadishu residents contacted by telephone said some isolated gunfire continued for a day after the riots, but no further violence took place in Mogadishu. At dusk-to-dawn ordered after the clashes was relaxed yesterday to 9 pm to 5 am (1800 GMT to 0200 GMT).

Somalia's Interior Ministry announced that soldiers called out during the riots had been returned to their barracks and security in the capital would be maintained by police, militia and the paramilitary national security services.

"In other words, nothing ... that's good," PLO spokesman Ahmed Abderrahman told Reuters in Tunis on hearing of the compromise text.

The Senate yesterday rejected a proposal by right-wing Republican Jesse Helms barring US talks with any PLO official who had prior knowledge of or took part in an attack that resulted in the death, injury or kidnapping of a US citizen.

Instead it approved a text barring talks with any PLO envoy "if the president knows and advises Congress" of his role in terrorism against Americans.

Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Arens said of the Senate vote: "I think this awareness is a step in the right direction, an awareness which definitely exists here on the terrorist nature of the PLO."

Helms proposed his measure after US Ambassador to Tunis Robert Pelletreau met an Arafat deputy, Salah Khalaf, accused of involvement in the 1973 killing of the US Ambassador to Sudan, Cleo Noel.

The White House had launched an all-out campaign against the Helms measure, saying it could have destroyed US peace efforts in the Middle East.

Fears of Gulf war shift to Lebanon

BEIRUT, July 21. (Agencies): Al Sayyash has learned from reliable political sources that Lebanon is quickly being turned into a battlefield between Iraq and Iran in addition to the current violent confrontation here between Iraq and Syria.

The sources expressed fears that the failure of the Arab League's tripartite committee charged with finding a solution to the Lebanese crisis would lead to shifting the Gulf war to Lebanon with Iraq supplying Christian forces with sophisticated arms and Iran doing the same to Muslim and leftist parties.

In a significant move reflecting Iran's determination to challenge Iraq, which has provided General Michel Aoun's armed forces with sophisticated arms to fight Syrian troops in Lebanon, leaders of Syrian-backed — backed Lebanese Muslim and leftist militias and radical Palestinian factions met in Tehran last Saturday under Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati, and issued a statement calling for the overthrow of General Aoun, the destruction of the Lebanese system and the setting up of a new just system.

The Tehran declaration also called for Muslim unity to confront political Maronism and Iraqi influence in Lebanon.

Christian groups have unanimously condemned the Tehran declaration calling it a flagrant Iranian interference in Lebanese affairs.

Nabil Berri, leader of the Shiite Amal movement, who participated in Tehran talks, has officially asked Iran to supply Lebanese Muslim forces with sophisticated weapons to establish a balance of power with Christian forces.

Aoun admitted today that Iraq was providing him with weapons and police said overnight shelling duels between his troops and Syrian gunners killed one person and wounded four.

A United Nations spokesman said that unidentified assailants today attacked UN peacekeeping soldiers in South Lebanon, seriously wounding a Fijian soldier.

"Brotherly Iraq supports Lebanon ... I wanted to purchase weapons and ammunition and Iraq donated them," Aoun told the independent daily paper *Al-Nahar*.

He said the government of President Saddam Hussein has given him 20,000 predominantly Christian troops Soviet-designed T-55 tanks and "other types of weapons."

However, he refused to say whether Iraq has provided him with medium range Frog-7 surface-to-surface missiles which would be able to hit Damascus.

Syria has demanded that such missiles be removed from the 310-square-mile (800-square-kilometre) Christian enclave, which is under the control of Aoun's troops and the right-wing Christian Lebanese forces militia.

Aoun denied charges by Syria's government-run radio that Iraq sent military personnel to help its troops.

Hope for Asians Uganda may pay

KAMPALA, July 21. (Reuter): The Aja Khan has negotiated an agreement to return property to some of the Asians expelled from Uganda by former dictator Idi Amin in 1972, the Ugandan government said.

Officials said President Yoweri Museveni and the Aja Khan, spiritual leader of the Ismaili sect, signed a protocol yesterday clearing the way for property seized by Amin to be returned to some 15,000 Ugandan Ismailis.

The amount of property seized has not yet been determined.

The status of those who now own or rent the properties is also still to be decided but the Aja Khan told a news conference that their interests would be considered.

Air tragedy hits US, Philippines

Flight crashes into Manila traffic; Miracle in US

MANILA, July 21. (Agencies): A Philippine Airlines jet with 98 people aboard overshot a runway in heavy rain today, crashed through a concrete wall and slid across a highway, smashing cars and killing at least eight people, officials and witnesses said.

Witnesses and officials at two hospitals and a clinic said all eight were killed on the ground. Most of them were in four vehicles crushed by the twin-engine Bac 1-11 when it careened across Manila's south expressway at 3:23 pm (0723 GMT).

Ninety-one people were injured, four of them in critical condition, airline officials said.

In Sioux City, Iowa, an apparent explosion in the tail engine of the United Airlines DC-10 that crashed killing upto 109 of 295 people aboard severed lines for the jet's hydraulic controls, aviation safety officials said yesterday.

While officials would not draw conclusions as to the cause of Wednesday's crash, the signs appeared to point to the blown rear, or number two, engine. The plane had three engines.

In Manila, Enrique Santos, PAL vice-president for public relations, said he had no reports of deaths among the plane's passengers, but 83 of them and two crew members were injured. He said the four people in critical condition were injured on the ground.

After overshooting the runway, the plane crashed through a concrete wall between the airport and the highway, bounced across the highway and plowed through railroad track on the other side of the 12-lane freeway, witnesses said. The plane's belly was ripped off but the fuselage remained largely intact.

Officials closed the highway to facilitate the rescue, which was hampered by heavy rain and traffic jams on streets leading to the scene.

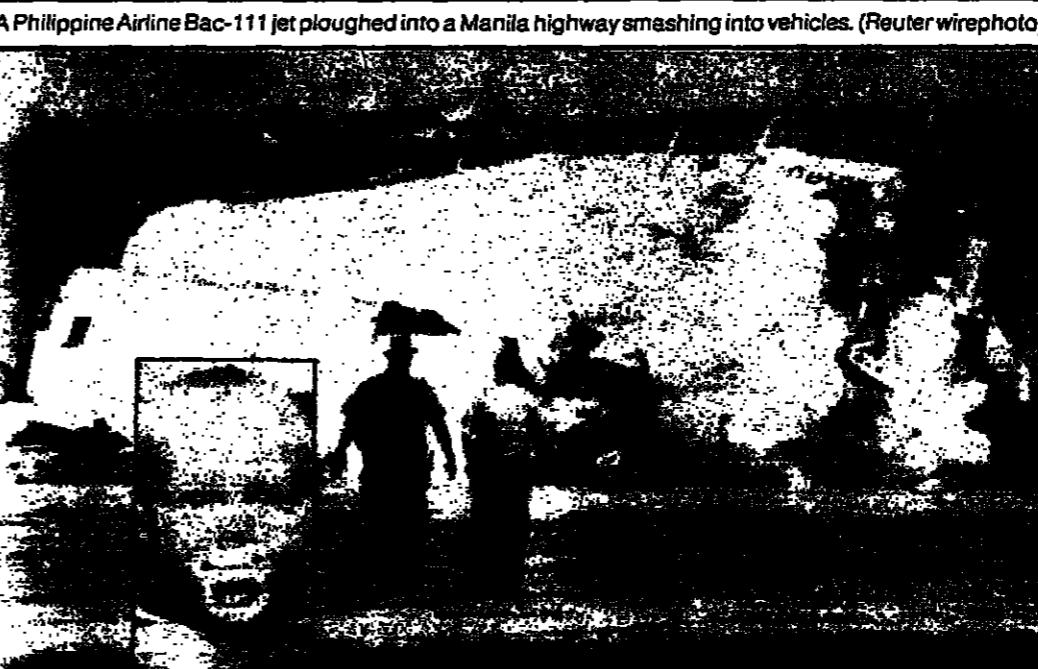
Air traffic controllers reported the plane's pilot, Capt Ricardo Misa, said visibility was poor and he could see only half the runway as he approached the airport on a flight from Zamboanga City, 864 kilometers (540 miles) southeast of Manila.

Santos said an investigation would be conducted and declined to speculate if bad weather caused the crash.

"It was raining at the time, but weather conditions were above the minimum for landing, so he (the pilot) was cleared to land," Santos said. "Visibility was three kilometers (1.8 miles). He was told to land when runway on sight. He landed and he ran out of runway."

In Sioux City, rescue officials have recovered 109 bodies from the wreckage of the DC-10 that crashed, an official said today.

Officials planned to lift one of the wings with a crane to see if



There were two more bodies underneat, city manager Hank Sinda said at a news conference.

Sinda reported 184 survivors from United Airlines flight 232.

The National Guard and medical examiners had asked families for dental and medical records and other information that would help identify the victims, said Sinda.

"They're having a hard time identifying the bodies. Some of them are in very poor condition," he said.

Investigators said Capt Al C. Hayes, the pilot, had virtually no control as he struggled to land the DC-10 after it lost an engine and sustained holes in the small wing of the tail.

The jumbo jet's hydraulic sys-

tem, which is routed through the tail and allows the pilot to manipulate wing and tail controls, contained no fluid as Hayes tried to bring the plane into Sioux City airport, officials said last night.

"The aircraft could only be turned to the right. They made three 360-degree turns" before Wednesday's crash landing, another official said.

United officials released the names of survivors yesterday but withheld a list of casualties while relatives were notified.

As workers continued to search wreckage strewn through a cornfield and across a runway, investigators released details of the harrowing last hour of the flight bound for Chicago and

Philadelphia from Denver.

The chief flight attendant said an explosion over western Iowa knocked flight attendants to the floor, an official said. The attendant went into the cockpit and found the flight crew struggling to regain control of the plane, he said.

Thirty-four minutes before the crash landing, the pilot told air traffic controllers he had almost no control of the aircraft, Burt said.

Investigators found a 10-inch-by-12-inch (25-by-30-centimetre) hole and three or four smaller ones in the horizontal stabilizer, the small wing on the plane's tail, an official spokesman, Ted Lopatiewicz said.

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Angry opposition plans no-confidence bid against Rajiv

NEW DELHI, July 21. (Reuter): India's opposition parties prepared today to bring a no-confidence motion against Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi's government in a bid to keep a corruption scandal alive for coming general elections.

The fragmented opposition showed rare unity in disrupting parliament for the third consecutive day, insisting Rajiv should quit because of bribes allegedly paid by Sweden's Bofors Company to secure a \$1.3 billion defence contract.

"There is no question of proceeding with the business of the house until the prime minister resigns," Amal Dutta told the lower house during a heated session.

Dutta's Communist Party of India, Marxist (CPM) is part of the opposition group trying to bury squabbles among its leaders and attack Rajiv ahead of elections due by December.

"We realise there is not much chance of defeating the prime minister through a no-confidence motion because of his party's

brute majority," said Lal Kishan Advani, head of the rightwing Hindu Bharatiya Janata Party.

"But it will at least keep alive the issue of corruption during the elections," he said.

Advani said the motion would be introduced in the lower house, where Rajiv's Congress Party has a two-thirds majority, before the current Parliament session ends on August 11.

The opposition alleges bribes were paid to people close to Rajiv.

Meet the modern British male

He's sensitive, fit and he can cook

ONDON, July 21, (AP): He is sensitive, understanding, tolerant and fit. He's noanova, but he can cook.

You'll find him staring at his television set 16 per cent), possibly thinking that he ought to get more exercise (34 per cent).

Meet the British male, as seen by himself in survey published yesterday by the British Market Research Bureau.

"Sensitivity and understanding are hardly qualities associated with some of the published types of modern male such as larger louts or money-hungry city (financial district) whiz

kids and this finding indicates how atypical they probably are," said the survey report, based on interviews with 1,287 men.

Asked to choose three among 14 possible self-descriptions, 46 per cent chose "sensitive and understanding." 46 per cent were "loyal and trustworthy," 40 per cent—and nearly 60 per cent of those with children—were "a good father and provider."

Asked to select three from a list of 10 personal goals, the top three were "improved health and fitness," 50 per cent; "the opportunity to travel more," 41 per cent and

"greater success at work," 36 per cent.

Bottom of the list came closer relationships—with partner, 14 per cent; children 11 per cent; and friends 7 per cent.

Sixty-nine per cent thought being faithful to one person was essential to a good relationship, but only 25 per cent felt they could not cope should their partner stray.

Only 8 per cent said they would feel uncomfortable if their partner earned more money, although just 16 per cent said they would "get a kick out of having a highly successful partner."

Obsessed fan killed actress, police say

LOS ANGELES, July 21, (AP):

An obsessed fan of actress

Rebecca Schaeffer wrote her a

rambling love letter, kept videos

of her TV show "My Sister Sam"

and stalked her before shooting

her to death, police alleged.

Robert John Bardo, 19, was

being held in Arizona yesterday

while Los Angeles authorities

pursued extradition. Tucson

Police picked him up Wednesday

as he was dodging cars on a freeway there.

Bardo appeared before a Tucson magistrate this morning via closed-circuit television from the Pima County Jail. Magistrate Clifford Hofmann entered a plea of innocent for Bardo on a mis-

demolition count of obstructing a street or highway.

He remained in jail pending a

court appearance in the murder

case.

Los Angeles investigators flew

to Tucson, where Bardo gave

police "statements related to the

murder of Rebecca Schaeffer,"

Los Angeles Police Detective

Dan Andrews said.

"I don't want to say he confessed,

but he implicated himself, for sure," the detective said.

The unemployed fast-food

worker from Tucson was an

obsessive fan of Miss Schaeffer,

said Deputy District Attorney

Robert E. Savitt, who filed a

complaint charging him with

murder.

Fallen star

American actress Rebecca Schaeffer, shown in this 1987 publicity photo from the TV series "My Sister Sam." She was shot and killed Tuesday when she opened the door of her Los Angeles apartment. (Reuter wirephoto)

Blood tests disprove theory

US attorney reviews pilot's case

HOLLYWOOD, Florida, July 21, (AP): The US attorney in Miami has received FBI files on lawyer-pilot Thomas Root and is looking into contradictions in his account of a 300-mile (1,300-kilometre) autopilot flight, a spokeswoman confirmed yesterday.

A source close to the investigation told the Associated Press that it would probably examine filing of false information about a flight and liability for expenses of search and rescue after Root ditched in Bahamian waters.

Diane Cossins, executive assistant to US attorney Dexter Leitman, confirmed that the office is looking into the case, adding "we will not discuss any matters concerning an ongoing investigation."

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PEOPLE AND PLACES

NATCHITOCHES, Louisiana: A 2-pound (900 gramme) baby was hospitalized in critical condition one day after a doctor declared her dead, a spokeswoman said yesterday.

The girl began to cry moments before an undertaker arrived to pick up her body on Wednesday.

"The hair just stood up on the back of my neck. By the time the funeral home got there, we had her in the nursery and stabilized and on a respirator," said Dr Lynn Braultette, who had pronounced the infant dead.

The baby was rushed to Schrump Medical

Center's neonatal intensive care unit in Shreveport. **Katina Payton, 17,** gave birth to the unnamed child around 5 am on Wednesday in Natchitoches Parish Hospital. The baby was three months premature, Miss Payton said. (AP)

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BLUE ISLAND, Illinois: Wives angered because their husbands were losing money gambling tipped off police, resulting in a series of raids and four arrests on Wednesday night.

In addition to the arrests, police also confiscated six automatic poker machines and an illegal lottery game from two taverns in Blue Island, a suburb

of Chicago.

Undercover Cook County vice officers were sent to gamble at the two bars and when they won and were paid off, uniformed officers made the arrests, said Cook County sheriff's investigator John Paris. (UPI)

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HOLLAND, Michigan: Parmeiso Iglesias is going to court to fight for the right to keep his pet rooster, and his chief witness will be Webster's dictionary.

Iglesias, 52, will challenge a city ordinance that excludes roosters from the list of domestic animals that are permitted to own.

His legal argument is simple up to the point: Since the dictionary defines the rooster as a domestic animal, so should the city of Holland. He also will argue that his pet poses no threat to anyone's health or safety.

Iglesias said he bought his pet rooster—named "Scor" — about a month ago and has received no complaints from his immediate neighbours. However, someone who lives down the street griped, leading to a citation. (UPI)

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SANFORD, Florida: A grocery store shoplifter has been sentenced to 20 years in prison for trying to steal five slabs of sirloin.

John Werner, who has an extensive theft record, was sentenced on Tuesday to spend two decades in prison for trying to remove 2 pounds (900 g) of bottom round and 2 pounds (3.1 kg) of top sirloin from a grocery store.

Warren, 37, testified at his trial in May that he has stolen meat in the past to support his cocaine habit. But, he said, he stuffed the steak down his pants in November to feed several nieces who were living with him. (UPI)

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SAN FRANCISCO: A would-be jail escape artist who once got stuck trying to squeeze through the bars of his cell was foiled by a traffic jam in his fifth try for freedom.

An off-duty patrolman spotted Jackie Robinson, 40, clad in a bright jailhouse orange jumpsuit, hobbling on a crutch to a waiting getaway car on Wednesday outside the Hall of Justice.

Patrolman Robert Clevidence, 27, tailed the car and then nabbed the prisoner, who fled on foot and after the getaway car stalled in traffic.

Robinson's latest escape attempt came as he was being led back to his jail cell after a pretrial hearing on burglary and assault charges. He broke free from custody and fled down a flight of stairs. (UPI)

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BEVERLY HILLS: Carol Channing launched what was billed as the world's largest matzo ball into a giant bowl of chicken soup to get things rolling on Wednesday night at the opening of the Carnegie deli in Beverly Hills. The deli is owned by a fan of the original Carnegie deli in New York. In fact, Davis says he once called his wife to tell her that he was getting on a plane in New York with \$1,000 worth of Carnegie food but by the time the plane stopped in Denver, he only had \$500 of it left.

Showing up for the opening were George Burns, Betty White, Milton Berle, Don Rickles, hockey star Wayne Gretzky, sportscaster John Madden and director Billy Wilder. Members of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union also were present but they carried picket signs saying "Davis is a big guy with a small heart" and complained that he doesn't pay his employees enough. (UPI)

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LAKE CITY, Colorado: Scientists trying to unravel the mystery of cannibal Alfred Packer found a partial skull on Wednesday at the supposed

grave site of Packer's five victims.

The skull was the 12th bone fragment found

at a memorial to Packer in the southwest

Colorado Mountains near Lake City. Earlier bones

were found from a skull, a hand, a foot and a femur, the long bone of the leg.

The new bones will be sent to the Arizona State

Medical in Tucson to be analyzed and then returned to the memorial in August.

Scientists say they hope the tests will show if

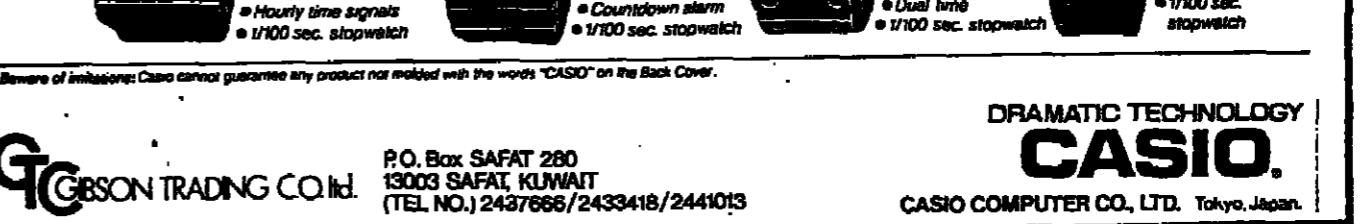
Packer's victims died and whether their flesh has been eaten. (UPI)

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Train derailed

LONDON, July 21, (AP): Five cars on a crowded express train from Glasgow derailed last night on the outskirts of London but the 300 passengers escaped serious injury, police said.

British Rail said one coach ended up on its side.

Only 10 people required treatment for minor injuries, said the police and British Rail.

The state network said it suspected vandals had placed something on the tracks near Harrow station.

"Trains just don't leave the rails for no reason," a British Rail spokesman said.

Dual roles

LOS ANGELES, July 21, (AP): The nation's top immigration appeals official took part in a secret committee that shaped plans to apprehend and deport alien terrorists, according to government documents.

It was "a clear conflict of interest," said David Mihollan to serve on a policy-making panel while she supervised the immigration courts, said Van der Hout, attorney for eight Los Angeles-area immigrants fighting deportation.

Van der Hout said Mihollan's dual functions prejudiced a government case against the immigrants — seven Palestinians and a Kenyan.

Goodwill envoys

WASHINGTON, July 21, (UPI): President Bush, criticised in Congress for peddling top diplomatic jobs to big campaign donors, announced on Wednesday he was nominating two women active in state party politics as ambassadors to Norway and Malta.

As Senator Albert Gore, Democrat of Tennessee, led an unsuccessful effort in Congress to urge Bush to appoint at least 30 per cent of his ambassadors from the career Foreign Service ranks, the White House announced Bush's intention to nominate Peace Corps director Loret Ruppe to be ambassador to Norway and Sally Noverzki as the ambassador to the Republic of Malta.

Deportations

UNITED NATIONS, July 21, (AP): Senegal accused Mauritania yesterday of deporting 2,000 blacks in two days earlier this week and said "it is to be feared that not a single black Mauritanian will be unaffected by the measures."

Hundreds have died in racial violence between black Senegalese and the Arab and Berber Mauritians that began in April. Estimates of the death toll range from 250 to more than 400.

In a letter to the Security Council, Senegal's acting foreign minister accused Mauritania of accelerating a campaign to deport its black minority.

Goodwill visit

NORFOLK, Va., July 21, (Reuter): More than 1,000 Soviet sailors will get a taste of American life, from hamburgers to baseball, during a four-day goodwill visit to this US Navy port.

The seamen will arrive today aboard three Soviet warships in the first such ship visit to the United States in 14 years.

"We're going to show Soviet sailors what it's like to be in America," said Navy Lieutenant Commander Steve Burnett, a spokesman at US Atlantic Fleet headquarters in Norfolk.

Arms detection

STOCKHOLM, July 21, (Reuter): A Soviet-US experiment has shown it may be possible to detect nuclear weapons on warships at long range, according to a senior Soviet official.

Deputy Foreign Minister Viktor Karpov, the chief Soviet spokesman on arms control, said the recent experiment conducted in the Black Sea by Soviet and American scientists had deep significance for naval arms control efforts.

He gave no other details of the experiment but said it had made a significant contribution to the question of how possible naval disarmament agreements could be verified.

Forest fire

LACANAU, France, July 21, (Reuter): Holidaymakers fled campsites and villages in southwestern France yesterday as forest fires raged for the third consecutive day.

Huge columns of smoke blanketed out the sun while police led more than 6,000 people to safety in Les Landes, the worst-hit region of the southwest coast.

"We were the last to leave. They gave us an hour," said one holidaymaker told to get out of the lakeside village of Longarisse with his family and 1,500 other inhabitants.

Bulldozers moved in quickly to dig a firebreak that saved the village.

AIDS statistics

GENEVA, July 21, (Reuter): The number of reported AIDS cases in Europe increased by almost 80 per cent in one year, the World Health Organisation (WHO) said today.

Between March 1988 and March 1989, 9,636 new cases of acquired immune deficiency disease, an increase of 78.8 per cent, were reported by 31 countries to bring the cumulative total to 21,857 for Europe, WHO said.

The highest cumulative incidence rates per million population were noted in Switzerland (122.1), France (115.3) and Denmark (76.9).

Douglas Hurd rules out relaxation of immigration laws

LONDON, July 21, (KUNA): British Home Secretary Douglas Hurd ruled out any relaxation of UK immigration laws.

Speaking in central London, Hurd said he was "absolutely persuaded" that racial harmony in Britain depended on strict immigration controls.

He told a meeting of the diplomatic and

'Voting' may split Solidarity

Tension prevails over election outcome

WARSAW, July 21, (Agencies): A group of Solidarity lawmakers said yesterday the election of Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski as President may split the labour union because Poles have been upset by the fact that many deputies abstained from voting and thus helped the general to win.

Barbara Labuda, a deputy from the southwestern city of Wroclaw said "a state of tension is in the region over the election outcome."

Labuda predicted Poland has had last calm days of "social peace" and the country faces a problem with the election of a new government.

ment.

Jaruzelski received 270 votes on Wednesday from the 537 legislators who cast valid ballots in the election at the joint session of the new parliament, one more that the 269 he needed for a majority. There were 233 votes against the Communist Party leader and 34 abstained.

"It will slow down the development of the union," Czeslaw Nowak from Gdansk said.

"The people may start to renounce their membership in the union when they have become aware that Solidarity elected Jaruzelski," Edward Krasowski said.

Jaruzelski, in his first interview since becoming President today urged Solidarity to enter a communist-led government but the opposition movement refused.

Its parliamentary leader Bronislaw Geremek instead proposed that Solidarity should form a government.

In an interview with the Communist Party daily Trybuna Ludu, Jaruzelski also revealed he was among hundreds of thousands of Poles deported to Siberia when Soviet troops invaded Poland in conjunction with Hitler's Army at the start of World War Two in 1939.

Rioters attack police station

Gorbachev signals purge of hardliners

MOSCOW, July 21, (Agencies): Ethnic extremists in a strife-torn region of Soviet Georgia attacked a police station and armed guards at several factories, seizing a large number of firearms, Tass reported today.

Forty-nine people were arrested last night in the Black Sea resort area for curfew violations, and police confiscated more than 200 weapons, the official Soviet news agency said.

Special flights continued to evacuate thousands of tourists stranded in the region, where six days of clashes between Abkhazian and Georgian extremists have forced a halt to all road and rail traffic.

At least 18 people have been killed in the riots and 339 injured, including 30 police officers and seven internal security troops.



Straw hats

The rain is gone, the sun is out. This unidentified woman is back selling straw hats and fans to tourists in Manila, which experienced rains spawned by typhoon Gordon. (Reuter wirephoto)

US backs OAS bid for Panama

Rivals say ruling at odds

WASHINGTON, July 21, (AP): Organisation of American States foreign ministers, with the reluctant support of the United States, have approved a declaration calling for a transfer of power in Panama on Sept 1, followed by free elections.

The ministers yesterday also extended to Aug 23 the mandate of an OAS mediating team that has been trying to help bring an end to the two-month-old political crisis in Panama.

The declaration was carefully drafted over two days and was ambiguous enough to permit both the United States and the representative of Panamanian leader Gen. Manuel Antonio Noriega to join in support. Noriega, who heads the Panamanian defence forces, remains the de facto leader of the nation.

Opposition leaders say Panama's political crisis will only be

prolonged by the OAS declaration.

The opposition charged the declaration effectively accepts annulment of a May 7 presidential vote in which its candidate, Guillermo Endara, claimed victory.

It is demanding that the May 7 election outcome be properly recognised as an opposition victory and that its candidate take power on Sept 1.

Privately, US officials expressed dismay with the outcome, but Deputy Secretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger indicated in brief remarks that there were enough teeth in the declaration to warrant US backing.

In addition, the new elections called for must not be held in "one, two or three years but as soon as possible," he said, adding, "Gen. Noriega must go."

Commonwealth writers association that predicted labour shortages here in the next few years could be dealt with under the existing work permit system.

Hurd declined to comment on the number of Hong Kong citizens who might be admitted to Britain under a scheme now being worked out by the UK government.

On immigration he told the meeting: "I am

strongly not in favour of a substantial relaxation in the immigration laws."

"I want to have harmony in our cities. I believe you cannot have harmony and a substantial weakening of the immigration laws. I do not want to give the impression there will be any substantial weakening or loosening. I am quite clear that that will not be in our interest."

Moi in Maputo to aid peace process

MAPUTO, Mozambique, July 21, (Agencies): Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi arrived today in the capital of Mozambique in an effort to help President Joaquim Chissano end the 12-year civil war that has devastated his country.

Chissano on Monday announced the dual meeting in which Moi would visit Mozambique to aid the peace process, while at the same time a delegation of Mozambican church leaders and low-level government officials would go to Nairobi, Kenya to meet a delegation from the Mozambique National Resistance guerrillas.

Moi has been trying to mediate an end to Mozambique's war which broke out after the country gained independence from Portugal in 1977. The conflict has killed an estimated 100,000 people, made refugees of 1.6 million more and left half the country's 14.7 million people wholly or partly dependent on food aid.

"Tourists continue to be evacuated from the area," Tass said. "Women and children are the first to leave and prompt action by law enforcement forces ensured that there was not a single attack on tourism."

Authorities declared the popular seaside resort of Sukhumi, the Abkhazian capital, off-limits to millions of tourists who vacation there each year. A state of emergency, including an 11 pm-to-6 am curfew, was imposed in Abkhazia on Tuesday.

Since the emergency measures were announced, police and troops had seized more than 2,700 firearms.

Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, has warned he wants a quick purge of hardliners at all levels of the Communist Party including the ruling Politburo.

Gorbachev issued the warning on Tuesday at a clearly stormy meeting of communist chiefs from across the country to discuss the party's waning prestige among the Soviet people, according to an account published in Pravda today.

"The ranks of party officials need renewal, a flow of fresh blood. And they need to be renewed at the level of the shop-floor, the district, the city, the region, the republic, the Central Committee and the Politburo," he declared.

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Christen Pettersson, 42, was ordered held until publication of the verdict and sentence next Thursday. Had he been found innocent, he would have been freed immediately.

Pettersson, a Swede with a long criminal record, has denied killing Palme. The four-term prime minister was shot to death Feb. 28, 1986, on a Stockholm street.

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A United Airlines jet takes off for Denver Thursday carrying some of the survivors and their family members from Wednesday's crash. Below the jet lies the main fuselage of United Flight 232. (Reuter wirephoto)



A United Airlines employee comforts a young woman after she learned the fate of her loved one.

I can't believe I'm alive

On board Flight 232

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, July 21, (Agencies): When the pilot of a United Airlines DC-10 told passengers to expect a "very rough" landing at Sioux City's Airport, Lori Michaelson held her daughter, Sabrina, tight.

Mozambican officials said both the Mozambican churchmen and the government men had been in Nairobi since July 11, waiting for the guerrilla delegation. Chissano said the guerrillas had failed to attend previously scheduled meetings in April, June, and earlier in July.

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Chinese hit out at patriotic activities

BEIJING, July 21, (Agencies): China today for the first time made a precondition for Hong Kong to remain capitalist when it turns to Chinese rule in 1997 and said it would not tolerate continued interference by the British colony's residents.

The warning was made in a strongly worded commentary in the Communist Party newspaper, the People's Daily, that apparently was written by a high-level official and it immediately triggered angry reaction in Hong Kong, already tense over its scheduled return to Chinese rule.

"We will not allow people to use Hong Kong as a base for subverting the central people's government, this has been the Chinese government's consistent policy," the commentary declared.

It said China would stand by its promise that the enclave can remain capitalist for at least 50 years, but added, "not engaging in activities to overthrow (the Chinese government) is a precondition for allowing (Hong Kong) to retain its capitalist system."

It also said any participation by Hong Kong residents in affairs of the mainland would have to be in keeping with mainland laws.

Hundreds of thousands Hong Kong residents joined in protest marches and petition drives after the June 3-4 Army attack on pro-democracy student protesters in Beijing. Many said the attack, followed by thousands of arrests, would accelerate emigration from Hong Kong.

Restore

Chinese leaders have said they want to restore confidence among Hong Kong residents. They assured prominent Hong Kong residents invited to Beijing that China had not changed its policy of "one country, two systems" after 1997.

But the tone of today's commentary, with its declaration that true democracy can only be found under the socialist system, already was provoking the opposite effect.

"This is the time to see how strong our backbone is; democracy activist Szeeto Wak, who was criticised in the commentary, said on Hong Kong radio.

The commentary singled out Szeeto's group, the newly formed Hong Kong Alliance in support of the patriotic democratic movement in China, which has pledged 1.2 million Hong Kong dollars (\$156,000) to help fugitives from the mainland movement.

Without mentioning them by name, it accused Szeeto and vice chairman Martin Lee of supporting independence for Hong Kong and plotting to overthrow the communist government in Beijing.

Szeeto denied the charge, saying he opposed China's current leaders but not socialism. He and Lee are members of a joint Hong Kong-Chinese committee that is drafting a basic law to govern Hong Kong after 1997.

"The Chinese leaders know that we have popular support and this is their way, their devious way ... of persuading people not to join us out of fear," Lee said on Hong Kong radio.

The Chinese government, continuing a tightening in intellectual areas and education after the crushing of the student-led democracy movement, announced today the number of students entering universities this fall will be reduced by 30,000.

Government television quoted a state education commission spokesman as saying the number of students entering universities this fall would be reduced to 610,000 from 640,000.

The spokesman cited several reasons for the decision, including a decline in education quality in recent years due to the rising number of enrolments and the difficulty of placing graduating students in jobs.

Some

"Some subjects, for instance the humanities, are not well-defined," the spokesman said. "They must be reorganised to serve the needs of socialist construction."

And in Paris, five prominent Chinese dissidents yesterday urged compatriots world-wide to end Peking's "unprecedented tyranny" and rally to their newly-formed Chinese Democratic Front.

Speaking at a news conference, student leader Wuwei, flanked by a Peking entrepreneur and three leading officials, said:

Dissident Fang Lizhi, who has been sheltering in the US embassy since the bloody crushing of pro-democracy protests in June, has been stripped of his posts in a Chinese research society, official reports said today.



Future teller

A trained parrot picks out a card for a roadside fortune teller in the old section of New Delhi. Itinerant performers and soothsayers flock to the Indian capital during the summer to escape the heat of the nearby deserts and to seek larger audiences. (Reuter wirephoto)

Sihanouk urges to end colonisation

PARIS, July 21, (Reuter): Cambodian resistance leader Prince Norodom Sihanouk today urged an end to Vietnamese colonisation in his country and said there would be no peace until Vietnamese settlers and soldiers had left.

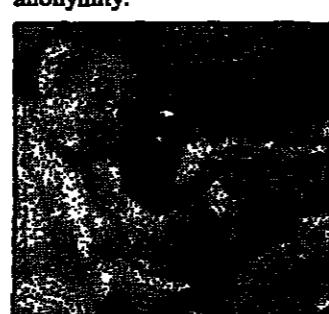
He said the withdrawal of Vietnamese troops at the end of September would not bring an overnight end to the 10-year war.

"There are over 130,000 armed Vietnamese disguised as Cambodians in Cambodia. There are also more than a million Vietnamese settlers," Sihanouk told a news conference ahead of next week's Paris International Peace Conference.

"If there is a ceasefire, they have got to go... the NCR (National Cambodian Resistance) will not accept a ceasefire on Oct 1," he said.

Sihanouk, leader of the three-party NCR coalition, also strongly defended the participation of his notorious guerrilla partners, the Khmer Rouge, in the Paris talks.

The three hours of shelling in the morning followed overnight fighting in the area, said a Thai security official who requested anonymity.



Forced repatriation

No deal struck yet

HONG KONG, July 21, (Reuter): Tension rose in Hong Kong's jammed Vietnamese refugee camps today on fears that London and Hanoi had struck a deal to return boat people forcibly to the land they all risked to leave.

Officials said the number of boat people volunteering to go back had increased significantly in recent days as word of the negotiations filtered through to the camps. Refugee workers said they feared violence if a deal was signed.

A Western diplomatic source who follows Vietnamese refugee affairs closely said: "There is no agreement signed on forced repatriation, and it won't be signed until at least after a meeting in Bangkok next week."

The source said Vietnam and Britain were "still hashing out details. Foreign Minister Nguyen Co Thach reached an agreement to agree at some point in London last month, but there's nothing on paper yet."

"I wish people in London would not leak things that aren't true," he said, a reference to press reports that agreement had been reached and forced repatriation for a first group was imminent.

Diplomatic sources said any agreement would include a form of words that did not refer to forced repatriation to satisfy Vietnamese fears that they could be accused of infringing human rights.

RANGOON, Burma, July 21, (AP): The two leaders of Burma's main opposition party were placed under long-term house arrest for their attempt to "destroy the military and revive anarchy in the country," government authorities said today. Confined to their residences and cut off from their supporters yesterday were Aung San Suu Kyi and Tin Oo, who have led the National League for Democracy in increasingly outspoken attacks against the martial law government. Government spokesmen told a news conference the house arrest could last one year and be renewed

LDP may face more trouble

Ruling party will lose: opinion polls

TOKYO, July 21, (Reuter): Japan's ruling party is going to have increasing trouble dealing with parliament if it loses its majority in the upper house in this Sunday's elections, as a result of a series of scandals and the introduction of an unpopular sales tax in April.

"It's not the end of the world for the LDP — the party can continue its 34-year unbroken hold on the government by virtue of its majority in the lower house. But the upper house has significant powers nevertheless.

"The LDP will be forced to compromise in future," said Yasuzaburo Hosino, law professor at Ritsumei University. "The lower house has the legislative power, but you can-

not create any new laws without the consent of the upper house."

Under the Japanese constitution, the lower house can overrule upper house decisions, but only if it has a two-thirds majority in the lower house. The LDP does not.

"The opposition parties will now start submittting their own bills in the upper house instead of simply boycotting deliberations over LDP-sponsored bills," said Kuniko Inoguchi, associate professor at Sophia University.

Opinion polls indicate the LDP will win



Malaysian prison wardens unload the body of Derrick Gregory at a mortuary near Kuala Lumpur yesterday. The Briton was hanged for drug trafficking despite a last minute appeal to King Sultan Azlan Shah. Gregory is the third Westerner hanged in Malaysia for drug offences. (Reuter wirephoto)

Convicted Briton hanged

Body to be flown back

KAJANG, Malaysia, July 21, (AP): Convicted British drug trafficker Derrick Gregory was hanged this morning after spending his last hours clutching a photograph of his 7-year-old daughter, officials said.

Kajang prison official said Gregory had requested the photo of his daughter, Tara, and it was the only possession they allowed him to keep before his execution. He had not seen his daughter since she was an infant.

The prison officials said Gregory's parents, Kenneth Gregory, 58, and Mary, 56, and his brother Paul, 25, visited him in the jail yesterday.

The family emerged from the building in tears, and left for home later the same day, Wyndham said.

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and Indonesians have been sentenced to death and hanged.

Officials said Gregory was arrested with 576 grammes (20 ounces) of heroin hidden in his boots and underwear at Bayan Lepas Airport in Penang, 300 kilometres (180 miles) northwest of Kajang, in October 1982. He was sentenced to death in March 1987 by the Penang high court, and the supreme court rejected his appeal on April 19 of last year.

At the trial, the court in Penang was told Gregory had 14 packets of the drug in his boots and four packets hidden in his underwear, and was arrested just before he planned to board a plane for Singapore enroute to Los Angeles.

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Italian warning

Concern over mafia

ROME, July 21, (Reuter): Italy's top anti-mafia official has warned that the criminal society has matured into a complex international organisation with sophisticated banking operations and links to Italian and Middle Eastern commandos.

Domenico Sica, high commissioner against the mafia, also told a parliamentary commission on Wednesday night that there might be one central "management" outside Italy laundering money which mafia groups made from kidnappings for ransom.

"Investigations have shown that mafia members, members of Middle East terror groups, and members of (Italian) extreme-left organisations supply themselves with false identity documents from the same source," Sica said.

The theory that some of the attacks carried out against magistrates investigating the mafia were a co-ordinated effort by the criminal organisation and Middle East terrorist groups was gaining serious credibility, Sica said, without elaborating.

Last month police found a huge, remote-control bomb planted outside a beach villa which Italy's best-known anti-mafia magistrate, Giovanni Falcone, had rented for the summer.

The shooting rampage Wednesday began after armed motorcyclists fired indiscriminately

into an area of the city dominated by immigrants from India following the creation of Pakistan in 1947, said police officials.

The Indians call themselves Mohajirs, meaning refugees, although most have lived in Pakistan since its creation.

Hyderabad is about 95 miles (150 kilometres) north of Pakistan's port city of Karachi, which also has been wracked by ethnic violence over the past several years.

Police arrested the truck driver, Francesco Annunziato, 31, and subsequent investigation in the Milan and nearby Ligurian Riviera areas led to the arrest of the other eight suspects.

In the Milan home of a woman police believed was the "treasurer" of the gang, police seized 670 million lire (\$49,000) in cash.

In the course of the operation nine suspected members of the gang were arrested and four other suspects reported to investigating magistrates, but allowed to remain free pending interrogation.

The big break in the investigation, under way for nearly two years, came at the end of June when police at the Vennimiglia Riviera frontier post between France and Italy found 265 pounds (120 kilogrammes) of hashish hidden in a truck coming from Spain.

But the government said it would not concede to their demands to hold "working meetings" in prison.

The four prisoners, two men and two women, are serving life terms for the 1986 murder of Georges Besse, president of the state-owned automaker Renault.

Soviet launch

MOSCOW, July 21, (KUNA): The Soviet Union launched the Cosmos-2032 artificial satellite with space exploration equipment on board yesterday. The satellite was taken into orbit by the Soyuz rocket booster.

The satellite carries a radio system for accurate measurement of the orbit's elements and radiotelemetric system to send information on the work of instruments and scientific equipment to earth.

Suspect remanded

UPPSALA, Sweden, July 21, (AP): The custody of a suspect in several terrorist bombings who reportedly was linked to a radical Palestinian commando group has been extended by a Swedish court, a clerk said today.

The court gave the state prosecutor until Aug 21 to prepare an indictment against Mahmoud Almoghrabi. The district court clerk gave no other information about the suspect or the charges.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Plane crash

FERNDALE, Maryland, July 21, (AP): A twin-engine plane caught fire shortly after takeoff Wednesday and crashed into a house near the airport, killing the pilot and a baby in the home and injuring six other residents, authorities said.

The home of Henry Beam, 33, and his wife, Janice, 31, burned to the ground after the Beechcraft 18 cargo plane slammed into it at about 7:20 am (1130 GMT). They and four of their children suffered minor injuries.

The body of 6-month-old Paul Beam was found in the rubble about 10:30 am (1430 GMT).

Turk convicted

SAVANNAH, GA., July 21, (Reuter): A Turkish national convicted of plotting to spy against the United States faces a possible life prison sentence.

Hussein Yildirim, 61, was convicted by a federal jury yesterday of conspiring to carry out espionage in collaboration with former US Army warrant officer James Hall III, who confessed to similar charges in March and was sentenced to 40 years in prison by a military court.

Judge Avant Edenfield did not set a sentencing date for Yildirim, who faces a possible sentence of life in prison without parole.

House collapses

COLUMBUS, Ohio, July 21, (AP): An explosion ripped through a small apartment building Wednesday, injuring eight people who apparently didn't hear or ignored officials' warnings to leave because of a natural gas leak, authorities said.

The blast at the public housing project occurred at 1:30 a.m. Wednesday, less than 90 minutes after a car ran into a gas meter and workers were unable to shut off the gas quickly, authorities said.

Some of the injured people were trapped in rubble for up to four hours as workers tried to free them while not disturbing the wreckage, authorities said.

Fourcade dies

PARIS, July 21, (AP): Marie-Madeleine Fourcade, one of the greatest heroines of the French resistance during World War II and later a Gaulle politician, died yesterday in a Paris military hospital, friends reported. She was 79.

Mrs Fourcade, who died after a long unspecified illness, was known for her daring feats in the face of Gestapo terror.

"She was terribly feminine," Navy Captain Jean Boutron, who at one point smuggled her out of France in a mail sack, once said. "But she has more willpower than most men."

Test successful

PARIS, July 21, (KUNA): France has successfully test-fired, for the third time, on Wednesday, its new "Hades" tactical nuclear missile, it was announced yesterday by the general armaments division at the Defense Ministry.

The 450-kilometre range surface-to-surface "Hades," with its sophisticated guidance system is expected to gradually replace 1952 onwards, the 120-kilometre range "Pluton" missile the French Army is equipped with.

Air security

LONDON, July 21, (KUNA): Airport inspectors should pose as "terrorists" to test security systems in the UK, an all-party group of MPs said here yesterday.

Spot checks would be a better method than having journalists expose any deficiencies, said the House of Commons transport committee.

Home for the aged ensures proper care

Families notified of deaths

An official source at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour has denied that guests of boarding houses for the aged who die in the house are buried by the ministry without notifying their families.

The ministry notifies the families of the aged when they suffer from health troubles and also sends notification of death for burial purposes. If the guest has no relatives, the ministry undertakes responsibility of burial, the official said.

He added that guests of the boarding

house increased from 28 persons (15 men and 13 women) in 1955 to 120 in 1985 (50 men and 70 women). But this number reduced to 109 guests last year (48 men and 61 women) despite the increase in population.

The ministry is undertaking a comprehensive study to determine optimum methods in addressing the issue of the aged. Presently, the ministry has begun focusing on the day service.

This facilitates aged persons to come to

the house during the day to get suitable services and return to spend their evenings with their families.

The official said that several researches have proved that reunion with families of aged has proved of immense satisfaction to the aged. He pointed out that the aged guests feel sad when away from their families and friends. They also feel sad when their relatives do not visit them, although they sign a pledge to visit them once a week at least. The boarding house

for the aged is the only welfare house that welcomes visitors of guests at any time.

Plans are under way to develop the nursing and physiotherapy services offered for the aged guests.

The house only receives Kuwaiti nationals who are over 60 years of age and have become senile. They should be free of any contagious or mental diseases. The house also admits those who have no families or belong to families who are not willing to care for them.

Police, citizen relations improve

KUWAIT, July 21, (KUNA): Director-General of the General Department for Police Communications Colonel Mohamed Al Qatami said that the department furnishes emergency services to citizens and also supervises the communications network which links the Interior Ministry with its various bodies.

In an interview with KUNA, Colonel Qatami said that the department aides the traffic department in monitoring roads and violations.

He said that the department encompasses smaller departments such as the department of police, communications, engineering and police communications.

Head of the police department Col Hussein Saqr Al Shatti said that his department aims mainly at producing qualified cadres through intensified training in the field of advanced communications systems.

Shatti affirmed that the Interior Ministry is sparing no effort to acquaint the public with the various traffic regulations, indicating that the policeman-citizen relation has improved in recent years, thanks to seminars and awareness programmes.

He affirmed that the policeman's job is not only to maintain law and order, but also to protect the country's borders from infiltrators.

On upgrading means of communication at the department, Assistant Director Major Yaqoub Al Yassin said that the capacity of the switchboard receiving reports has been upped from two to 10 direct lines.

UAE heat kills one

ABU DHABI, July 21, (KUNA): A wave of scorching heat which has been hitting the UAE since the beginning of this week, has already killed one person.

Temperature yesterday morning measured 47 degrees Celsius. In Abu Dhabi one person died today and two others were paralysed partially as result of sun strokes.

The emergency unit of the main hospital here have so far received this week more than 30 cases of sun strokes and heat exertions.



Soviet General Konstantin Kochetov greeting Army officers upon concluding his four day official visit to Kuwait.

Kuwait, Moscow enhance co-operation

Visit consolidated relations: Kochetov

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"The visit to Kuwait has been very useful. It promoted confidence-building measures and co-operation between our countries."

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In a press statement before his departure earlier and given to the Defence Ministry, Kochetov said that his visit real-

ised its intended goals, indicating that it opened new horizons of military co-operation between Kuwait and Moscow and enhanced co-operation based on past agreements between the two countries.

General Kochetov had held talks with Defence Minister Sheikh Nawaf Al Ahmed, Deputy Chief of Army Staff Maj. Gen. Jaber Al Khaled Al Sabah, and acting Defence Undersecretary Hmoud Mohammed Al Otaibi.

He noted that his talks with Kuwaiti military officers took place in an atmosphere of friendship, full understanding and mutual good intentions.

The ranking Soviet official expressed admiration at the "fantastic" performance of the Kuwaiti Army staff in such weather conditions.

Dr Nabila believes that diabetes is considered one of the main health problems in Kuwait pointing out that there is a dramatic increase of deaths in Kuwait caused by diabetes accompanied by old age. The death rate from diabetes among the over 75-year-old group is one of the highest rates in the world.

Dr Nabila has collected information from 12 diabetes clinics in Kuwait and will utilise a computer to classify and analyse the data. The study aims at avoiding repetition in recording diabetes cases. She will also conduct a survey among residents of Yarmouk to prepare a study on diabetes cases there.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Amiri cable

KUWAIT, July 21, (KUNA): His Highness the Amiri sent a cable of congratulations to the President of Colombia on the occasion of his country's national day.

Premier's cable

KUWAIT, July 21, (KUNA): HH the Crown Prince and Premier, Sheikh Saad Al Abdullah Al Salem Al Sabah today sent a congratulatory cable to Belgian Premier Dr. Wilfried Martens on the occasion of his country's national day.

Brig. Saleh arrives

KUWAIT, July 21, (KUNA): Deputy chairman of the Sudanese Revolutionary Command Council Brig. Al Zubair Mohamed Saleh arrived here today from Manama.

Deputy Premier and Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al Ahmed, Foreign Ministry Undersecretary Suleiman Majid Al Shaheen and other officials received Zubair upon arrival at the airport.

Yalta camp

MOSCOW, July 21, (KUNA): The delegation of the Kuwaiti Science Club (girls' branch) arrived here today on its way to Yalta to take part at the international youth camp.

The delegation, which comprised five members, is accompanied by Aysha Al Obeidi and Sawan Al Majeed.

They were received by first secretary at the Kuwaiti Embassy in Moscow Abdul Amir Ramadhan and representatives of the Soviet Youth Association.

Extra flight

KUWAIT, July 21, (KUNA): Kuwait Airways Corporation yesterday operated an additional flight to Jeddah to bring back home a group of Muslim pilgrims, according to a spokesman for the airline.

KAC manager of Public Relations and Information Abdullah Saad Al Nafisi told KUNA operation of this unscheduled flight to transport the late arriving pilgrims demonstrates the corporation's strong concern with the convenient return to Kuwait of all pilgrims from the holy lands.

KISR research

VIENNA, July 21, (KUNA): Projects manager of the Kuwait Institute for Scientific Research Daoud Nueman was quoted as saying, efforts were presently concentrated on finding new resources to secure food and potable water self-sufficiency.

In an interview with the Democratic German News Agency (ADN), Nueman said the institute was exerting efforts at the national level to find new resources particularly for desert and arid areas.

Besides its national obligations, the institute was responding to external requests within the framework of consultations and co-operation in joint scientific research with 19 other countries.

BAHRAIN DIGEST

Car-wash boys in great demand

IN RECENT years Bahrain has witnessed a small but growing segment of workers, whose task though undistinguished in terms of working conditions and security, has been of invaluable service to large numbers in the population.

In view of its size and population Bahrain has more cars and other forms of vehicles than any other place in the region. The island has over 110,000 private cars and vehicles for a population of over 400,000 — which means that for every four residents there is one vehicle.

Over the last few years car-wash has become a necessary and lucrative profession for a group of low-income workers. The increase in the number of vehicles has led to a demand for car-washers. Consequently, the number of such workers has increased considerably although the exact figure is difficult to ascertain. Despite the existence of a number of car-wash centres around the island, providing excellent and quick service, it appears that the majority of motorists prefer the services of car-washers who work independently of all hours, more for convenience sake than anything else.

Convenience

This is not difficult to explain as drivers, because of pressing time, don't like to wait in queues at car-wash centres which are few in number and located only at certain points. Independent car-washers provide the convenience of both cheaper and faster services to motorists. These workers, comprising mainly of boys in their late teens, can be found practically everywhere from car-parks, road sides, shopping complexes and any point where cars are parked. During working hours a motorist can leave his car to be washed by one of these boys and return to find a job exceptionally well done. In some cases the car-wash boy will also undertake to return the key to the driver's office after finishing the job at no extra cost! The cost of a car-wash by a 'road boy' comes to 500 fils per vehicle lasting about half an hour compared to one dinar charged by a car-wash centre.

Hard work

Bahrain's car-wash boys are a cheerful and hard-working lot. They work long hours, often under unpleasant conditions in summer. Unlike other strenuous manual labour this kind of work can be financially rewarding. A car-wash boy can earn anything from 800 to 8000 fils a day. Most workers have regular customers and have steady work. With the rise in the number of vehicles on Bahrain's roads every day the job of a public car-washer can remain secure.

Most of the car-wash boys are expatriates. Lately more unskilled and uneducated local lads are coming into this line of work. Expatriates are officially banned from taking up this 'profession.'

All organ donations to be monitored

Fourth transplant regulation

KUWAIT'S health minister will approve all donations of organs from cadavers under a decision taken recently.

Dr Abdul Razzak Al Abdul Razzak recently passed a rule, ordering the formation of committees in each hospital to monitor the donation of organs.

Under the decision, the minister will approve the removal of organs from cadavers. The decision said a verbal approval can be obtained from the minister but it must be put in writing at a later stage.

A computer, listing the names of patients requiring donor organs, donors and those seeking transplant surgery would be set up at the Hamed Al Essa Centre, which has the largest organ trans-

plant facility in the country.

Dr Abdul Razzak recently issued a decision asking all hospitals to form a committee to oversee the procedure of obtaining organs from cadavers. This is the fourth decree regulating organ transplantation and donation.

The new decree makes the committee responsible for obtaining organs from people who die at hospitals. It will include the head of the intensive care unit, the head of the anaesthetic department, a surgeon and a social researcher, a nurse and a representative of the public relations department. They will co-ordinate the donation of organs to the organ transplant centre at the Hamed Al Essa Centre.

Any donation has to meet certain

requirements and must be ratified by two other medical committees.

The first committee will certify in the case of "brain death" and the other will examine whether the donation is actually needed by a patient at a hospital in Kuwait.

The committee will immediately notify the Organ Transplant Department in cases of brain and other types of death after ensuring that the patient had donated his organs before his/her death. They will also examine whether the deceased had any objection to donating his/her organs. This will be done in co-operation with the Hamed Al Essa Centre.

The committee will also determine and ensure that all formalities are completed in a legal manner in the case of donors and

brain dead patients. All donations will be done only after obtaining the permission of the deceased person's relatives in the case of donors who had registered for donation before death. In the case of donors who did not leave a will, the relatives would have to give written permission, authorising doctors to remove the organs from cadavers.

The ministerial decree also ordered the formation of a permanent medical team at the Hamed Al Essa Centre to be headed by an "organ procurement officer." His team will organise the process of obtaining the organs and storage in a scientific manner.

A special form will be supplied to all the hospitals, which would be completed by the special committee overseeing organ transplants.

Waterfront squad a success

Eve-teasing on the decline

EVE-TEASING has considerably declined on the waterfront project due to the efficiency of the recently formed Hawalli Vice Squad, said Lieut. Col. Tareq Hamadah, acting director of the Hawalli Detective Department.

The vice squad was set up by the Hawalli Governor Abdul Latif Al Barges who was concerned about eve-teasing on weekends when most families spend their evenings at the resort on the waterfront.

Hamadah said the vice squad makes at least four arrests each day for eve-teasing. The vice squad has also effectively reduced the number of thefts, cases of damage to public property and petty quarrels.

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The fathers of the arrested

youths are asked to sign a pledge of good behaviour on behalf of their offspring. The pledge requires the fathers to promise that the young men would not repeat the offence. In case of repeated offences, the case of the youth is referred to the concerned authority for legal action, he said.

"It is very rarely that a youth repeats the offence," he said.

The vice squad has been especially trained and comprises of well-educated officers who are told to "deal responsibly with offenders." The officers first try to talk to the offenders, convincing them to stop misbehaving in a public place.

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Slaughter house contract

State Minister for Municipal Affairs, Mohammad Al Refai signed yesterday a contract for the establishment of a slaughter house in Jahra. The total value of the contract is KD767,755 and it will take 450 days for completion. Work at the slaughter house will begin after 10 days. It will consist of a main hall for

slaughtering, an administrative building, car parking and other necessary equipment. It will offer services to Jahra residents in a bid to reduce pressure on the main slaughter house in Shuwaikh. Refai signed another contract for the maintenance of Failaka cemetery costing KD167,000.

From the courts

Fine for firearm possession

A MAN was found guilty of possessing an unlicensed firearm and was ordered to pay a fine of KD120 by a Kuwaiti court.

The charges of possessing an unlicensed shotgun were brought against the accused by his father, who told the general prosecutor that he had found the hidden weapon in his son's wardrobe. The father had lodged a complaint with the police, who searched the bedroom of the accused and arrested him. Investigations revealed that the accused had bought the shotgun four months ago and had not obtained a licence.

The court ruled that the defendant must pay a fine of KD100 to the plaintiff and KD20 to the customs department. The weapon was confiscated.

Traffic violator gets 4 years

A MOTORIST who crossed a red signal was found guilty of driving in Kuwait without a licence and was sentenced to four years imprisonment followed by deportation.

The Criminal Court heard that the motorist had crossed a red signal and was stopped by the traffic police. The policeman asked for his driving licence and the driver produced a Civil ID card, saying it belonged to him. The man was taken into the police station for further enquiry.

Investigators found that the accused had entered the country illegally some years ago and on the day of the incident, he had been driving a friend's car. The Civil ID card also belonged to his friend. He was found guilty for crossing a red signal, driving without a valid licence and living illegally in the country.

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EDITORIALS

ARAB TIMES

Thought for today

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PRESS REVIEW

Al Akhbar, Al Ahram: The call made by Israeli Minister of Trade and Industry Ariel Sharon to kill Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat constitutes a new phenomenon that has never been witnessed before in the entire history of the international community, two daily Egyptian newspapers said yesterday.

The call also represents a dangerous phenomenon that encourages other countries to assume the same step.

Daily *Al Akhbar* said that if it were a Palestinian official at the Palestine Liberation Organisation who called for elimination of Sharon or Shamir the US Congress and Zionist organisations would have made a big fuss about "the Palestinian terrorism."

The daily concluded that the Israeli minister who considers himself and his government above the law has shown the entire world where terrorism comes from.

Meanwhile daily *Al Ahram* said that Israeli election proposal presented by Shamir was only an empty balloon or an announcement for public relations but not for implementation.

The paper pointed out the Israeli extremist plan adopted by leaders of the Likud to demolish Palestinian homes and abort the Palestinian intifada.

The paper said that Shamir had set himself in a state of conflict with the US which has become convinced that extremism in dealing with the intifada is not in favour of Israel. (KUNA)

The Los Angeles Times: There will be considerable debate in the US Senate soon over the level of oil imports. But once the rhetoric is over, senators can vote with a clear conscience for a one-year moratorium on oil exploration and production in the outer continental shelf, including the entire California coast.

Imports are of concern. The United States does need to be more self-sufficient in energy. But a year's delay in the offshore oil-leasing programme will have no significant effect on long-term US energy security.

The House-approved moratorium obviously comes in reaction to the Exxon Valdez accident in Alaska in March and the more recent tanker spills in the east. Critics claim the legislation is overkill, since oil production does not necessarily lead to tanker spills. But oil in the water is oil in the water. The year's delay may finally force Congress and the administration to honestly weigh the benefits of offshore oil production against the liabilities within the context of a real energy policy. (UPI)

The Denver Post: Leaders of the Western bloc's seven largest industrialised nations christened their summit meeting a success. In fact, however, the gathering revealed nagging global concerns that will only be resolved by self-discipline and self-sacrifice — two qualities seemingly in short supply in the industrialised world.

The United States came to the Paris summit with a great public relations coup — President Bush's triumphant swing through the Eastern bloc. In reality, however, Bush offered little more than hopeful rhetoric and symbolic amount of economic aid to the nations living in the Soviet Union's shadow.

Simply put, the United States must get its horrendous debt under control or risk losing influence in world affairs.

It was hypocritical of Bush to sit at an international conference, judging whether impoverished Third World countries are making adequate progress on their national debts, when the United States has failed to get its own financial house in order.

The consensus on environmental issues also revealed the industrialised world's profound hypocrisy. It was commendable that the seven world leaders called for greater protection of the global environment.

But their world-wide call should apply first to the nations represented at the summit. Collectively, these seven nations account for most of the pollution that threatens the natural world. (UPI)

Al Rai Al Aam: A Kuwaiti daily charged that US President George Bush's goal behind touring Poland and Hungary was to disintegrate the socialist bloc.

Al Rai Al Aam said that Bush aimed mainly at scoring economic breakthrough in the Warsaw Pact countries through loans and financial assistance programmes.

The paper pointed out that Bush's visits to the two East European countries, which it said carried more than one meaning or goal, further targeted wiping out the Iron Curtain that divides Europe.

The daily noted that tours of both American and Soviet presidents in areas of influence of the other took the form of a duel between giants that used all available military, economic and military means to weaken power of the other. (KUNA)

The Milwaukee Sentinel: The peace corps in Eastern Europe? Not since the days that the late President John F. Kennedy conceived the corps has a mission behind the Iron Curtain been thought possible.

But these are the days of mega-detente and President Bush will be sending contingent to Hungary to assist efforts in developing and expanding English language teaching.

A move as simple as sending teachers to Hungary gives as much oomph to detente as the removal of tanks or the scrapping of Soviet missiles that were in overabundance, anyway.

Peace corps volunteers to Hungary. A plaque handed Bush containing bits of the barbed wire fencing that was torn down along the Hungarian-Austrian border. These are as much the stuff of detente as pullouts and pullbacks.

And they are possible because US policy toward the Soviet Union has remained constant under Bush and his predecessor, Ronald Reagan.

By not rushing to match every Gorbachev proposal without extracting movement on other issues, new meaning has been given to detente. It has come on terms the Soviet system has forced upon itself — and with which the free world, with steady management, can live. (UPI)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1515 — Congress of Vienna between Holy Roman Emperor Maximilian I, Poland's King Sigismund I and Hungary's King Ladislas II settle points of issue between Poland and the empire and succession to throne of Hungary.
 1697 — Anglo-Dutch army defeats French at Aghrim in India.
 1739 — Turks defeat Holy Roman Empire troops at Crocyka, Yugoslavia, and threaten Belgrade.
 1812 — British under Duke of Wellington defeat French under Marshal Marmont at Salamanca, Spain.
 1901 — Negotiations start in London between Britain and Japan to form alliance.
 1933 — US aviator Wiley Post completes first solo airplane flight around world.
 1934 — FBI agents in Chicago, Illinois, shoot and kill US gangster John Dillinger.
 1943 — Allied forces capture Palermo, Sicily, in World War II.
 1950 — King Leopold III returns to Belgium after six years of exile.
 1964 — United Nations orders ceasefire after clashes between French and Tunisians in Tunisia.
 1968 — Israeli airliner bound for Israel from Rome with 48 people aboard is hijacked and diverted to Algeria.
 1971 — Last US infantry units are pulled out of South Vietnam's northern border area.
 1978 — Soviet space probe begins six-month journey toward planet Mars.
 1977 — Egypt bombs and strafes major air base in Libya in second day of conflict between the two countries.
 1987 — Kenya's President Daniel Arap Moi denies allegations that his government systematically has committed human rights abuses.
 1988 — Car loaded with bombs blows up near Syrian military intelligence base in West Beirut, killing seven people and wounding 48.



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Iraq, Iran go their separate ways

Coping with a painful past

NEARLY a year after a truce ended eight years of bloodshed, Iran and Iraq are dealing in vastly different ways with the prospect of peace and the indelible reminders of war.

Both are rebuilding the battered cities along their ravaged border. Both have sent home thousands of soldiers who survived one of the century's longest conflicts.

Each remains suspicious of the Aug 20 ceasefire, keeping hundreds of thousands of troops at the ready in case the fragile truce abruptly collapses.

But despite these similarities, the bitter Arabian Gulf rivals are experiencing strikingly different post-war periods.

The Iraqis are ridding themselves with visible

haste of any reminders of the war, rebuilding shattered cities more quickly than Iran, promising political reforms — which appear more cosmetic and reviving their regional ambitions.

The Iranians, uncertain of their political future, still cling to memories of a war that killed an estimated one million people.

For them, the war had been a convenient way of cementing the 1979 Islamic Revolution. Then Ayatollah Khomeini abruptly accepted the ceasefire and, less than a year later, died.

Today, Tehran still extols the virtues of martyrdom and the horrendous sacrifices of the war. Its leaders warn their countrymen almost daily: "Stay vigilant. Iraq cannot be trusted. We cannot afford to relax."

Al Rai Al Aam said that Bush aimed mainly at scoring economic breakthrough in the Warsaw Pact countries through loans and financial assistance programmes.

The paper pointed out that Bush's visits to the two East European countries, which it said carried more than one meaning or goal, further targeted wiping out the Iron Curtain that divides Europe.

The daily noted that tours of both American and Soviet presidents in areas of influence of the other took the form of a duel between giants that used all available military, economic and military means to weaken power of the other. (KUNA)

Jaruzelski's promises of reconciliation

THE echo of Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski's dawn broadcast imposing martial law in 1981 is still so loud that he almost did not get to hear the applause following his election as president of Poland on Wednesday.

Jaruzelski won without a vote to spare. In his first speech in his new post, he declared: "I want to be the president of reconciliation."

Jaruzelski was first secretary of Poland's Communist Party this year when it made a dramatic course reversal, deciding to legalize the independent Solidarity movement after trying to oblige it for seven years.

Aware the communists could not control Poland's social unrest or economic crisis alone, Jaruzelski's government offered talks with the opposition that produced the political reforms leading to Wednesday's presidential election.

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Killings blamed on rival rebels

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan, July 21, (Agencies): A spokesman for Afghanistan's Jamiat-e-Islami rebel faction alleged yesterday that the leader of a rival faction ordered the massacre last week of 30 Jamiat rebels.

Mohammad Shoaib said Gulbadin Hekmatyar, leader of the Hezbe-e-Islami rebel group, should be tried under Islamic law for his alleged role in the slayings in northern Afghanistan.

A Hezbe-e-Islami spokesman, Nawab Salim, said Shoaib's allegation is "rubbish."

Hekmatyar heads one of two Hezbe-e-Islami rebel groups headquartered in the Pakistani border city of Peshawar. His hard-line fundamentalist group is at odds with Shoaib's faction, which also is based in Pakistan.

Shoaib said the 30 rebels, seven of whom were Jamiat commanders, were returning July 9 from a military strategy meeting with Jamiat's key commander, Ahmed Shah Masoud, in the northern province of Takhar.

They were ambushed by Hezbe-e-Islami commander Said Jamal, Shoaib alleged. He said five were killed immediately and 25 were later executed.

Sixteen bodies were returned to Jamiat forces in northern Afghanistan, Shoaib said.

"All those who were involved should be tried ... Hekmatyar gave the order so he is involved," Shoaib said in a news release.

Rebel sources said the killings are part of a power struggle that has been going on between the two rebel groups in northern Afghanistan since the civil war began 11 years ago.

Afghan mujahideen rebels fired six rockets at Kabul yesterday, damaging a kindergarten and killing at least two people.

Witnesses said one rocket ripped through the centre which caters for 1,000 pre-school age children, badly damaging the building.

One man and a child were killed by another rocket nearby, but a government spokesman said the children in the kindergarten had already taken shelter.

Meanwhile, the United States has resumed arms supplies to the Afghan rebels after a few-month delay. Sabhatullah Mujaahidi, president of the mujahideen self-proclaimed government, said in an interview published Wednesday.

He was quoted by the English-language daily *Saudi Gazette* as denying reports that the US government has demanded the return of shoulder-fired Stinger missiles that it had given the mujahideen during their guerrilla warfare against the Soviets.

The Afghan government today released a US photographer arrested six weeks ago for entering the country illegally with armed Muslim rebels.

"I want to walk on the street," said Tony O'Brien said moments after he was released to the custody of a US State Department representative.

The Santa Fe, New Mexico, resident was arrested June 8 at a rebel hideout in Kabul while he was on an assignment for Time-Life Inc., a magazine publishing house.

He entered the country without a visa but was never formally charged. President Najibullah agreed to release him without trial after an appeal by Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser Arafat.

Meanwhile, Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati returned to Tehran today, following a two-day official visit to Pakistan where he conferred with Pakistani officials on finding a peaceful solution in Afghanistan. Tehran Radio reported

Sharon moves to helm, challenging Shamir

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 21, (AP): Ariel Sharon, capitalising on Israeli frustration over the Palestinian uprising, has moved to the helm of the right-wing Likud bloc and challenged Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

Six years ago, Sharon was disgraced and forced to resign as war minister for failing to anticipate the massacre of more than 800 Palestinians by Lebanese Christians who were allowed into Israeli-encircled

refugee camps in Beirut.

But Sharon, 61, has fought his way out of the political wilderness, assuring Israelis he knows how to crush the 19-month Palestinian uprising that has claimed 570 Arabs and 37 Israeli lives.

Speaking in the Israeli-annexed Golani Heights this week, Sharon suggested one way to improve the situation was to "liquidate" PLO chief Yasser Arafat and other PLO officials.

The comment was criticised by the US State Department as unhelpful to peace efforts but at home his tough talk is increasingly welcomed by Israelis frustrated by the ongoing violence.

"If the situation continues getting worse, the people will grow more extremist and feel they are in a time of national emergency. In emergency conditions there is no room for realpolitik," said Sagiv, an ex-head of military intelligence who like Sharon

was forced to resign in the wake of the 1982 massacre.

Sharon, minister of trade and industry in the coalition cabinet, demonstrated his power at a party convention earlier this month in which he forced Shamir to tack hard-line conditions onto his peace initiative.

Sharon's restraints angered Palestinians and drew expressions of concern from US officials.

Shamir plan gathers pace

W. Bank schools reopen today

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM, July 21, (Agencies): Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir met twice with Palestinians from the occupied territories since his Likud bloc put tough restrictions on the peace plan he is proposing, his spokesman said today.

Also today, Shamir's rival Trade and Industry Minister Ariel Sharon, boasted he had blocked PLO

approval of the plan.

The opposing stands on the Israeli plan for elections among Palestinians came as a feud deepened between Shamir and Sharon, who has been challenging the prime minister in his own right-wing Likud bloc.

But Shamir spokesman Yossi Ahimeir denied newspaper reports that the prime minister intended to dismiss Sharon from the government at a cabinet meeting on Sunday.

"If Sharon continues his divisive ways and causes problems in the Likud, it may be possible that there will be no choice but to fire him," Ahimeir said. "But now it is not practical."



Kurdish leader buried

Hundreds of mourners clad in black marched in silent procession yesterday in Paris behind the body of Kurdish leader Abdul Rahman Qassemou, slain a week ago in what his Kurdish Democratic Party has called an Iranian plot.

French government ministers joined women, children and peshmergas, Kurdish fighters, in the march from Place de la Republique to the grave site at Pere Lachaise cemetery, in eastern Paris, where he was buried.

The French government presents its condolences, said Bernard Kouchner, minister for humanitarian action. "Qassemou wanted to make peace in the name of the Kurds," he said in reference to the Kurdish struggle for autonomy. "There was fear of his message of peace, so he was exorcised."

Picture shows a wounded commando holding a photograph of Qassemou. (Reuter wirephoto)

Book divides Labour Party

Rushdie's wife talks about death threat

ZURICH, Switzerland, June 21, (AP): Salman Rushdie, author of "The Satanic Verses," can only discuss the Iranian death threat against him at "very intimate moments," his wife said in an interview published today.

Marianne Wiggins told the Women's magazine *Blick Fuer Frauen* that, since she went into hiding with her husband, she particularly missed secretly listening to other peoples' conversations on bus journeys.

Ms Wiggins, also a writer, fled into hiding with Rushdie in February after the late Iranian leader, Ayatollah Khomeini, said he should be killed for blaspheming against Islam in his book.

Ms Wiggins said the couple still tried to lead as normal a life as possible and when they went to bed at night talked about work, family news and world

affairs, just like any other man and wife.

In other developments Rushdie, believes the gap between him and the Muslim faith is bridgeable.

The international committee for the defence of Salman Rushdie and his publishers received a telephone call from the author to coincide with the launch on Wednesday of a new appeal for his defence backed by 12,000 signatures.

Labour Party leader Neil Kinnock's defence of Salman Rushdie's right to publish a paper back version of "The Satanic Verses" has divided the party.

Children in grades one through six and in their senior year in high school will go back to classrooms this weekend, the Army announced.

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"We already had people killed and missing. Lost friends ... and we unleashed all our accumulated pain on those two. We beat them all night, with short breaks. I, too, tried to beat them as painfully as I could. It seemed as if they were to blame for the deaths of our soldiers. And in the morning, it turned out they were peaceful inhabitants who had never participated in any battles."

Umiyev told Moscow News the official silence should also be broken about all the Soviet soldiers in Afghanistan who went over to the other side.

Soviet units would often exchange three rebels or 10 submachine guns for the chance to get their hands on such turncoats, he said.

"Otherwise, forces of frustration and extremism will prevail once again."

Husein said Israel must make "a historic decision to accept the two-state solution in the land of mandated Palestine."

He dismissed suggestions that a Palestinian state in the occupied West Bank would be a threat to Jordan, which has disengaged itself from the territories seized by Israel in 1967.



Six jailed

Six Palestinians receive sentences of 15 years to life Wednesday from an Israeli military court for killing a soldier last February by dropping a stone block on his head from a third-storey window. The accused (left to right) are Ibrahim Taktuk, 19, Samir Na'ish, 22, Ahmed Kalguna, 20, Osama Issa, 17, and Imad Sharaf, 20. Not pictured is Omar Saad, 19. (Reuter wirephoto)

Saudis rap Sofia treatment of Turks

RIVADH, July 21, (Agencies): Saudi Arabia today condemned Bulgaria's treatment of its ethnic Turks and called for Muslim nations to pressure Sofia to respect their human rights.

A Foreign Ministry statement, carried by the official Saudi Press Agency, said Riyadh was deeply concerned at Bulgaria's "harsh measures against and violations of the freedom of worship of ethnic Turks."

"Saudi Arabia, while voicing deep regret and condemnation of this irresponsible policy, reiterates the need for Islamic solidarity to confront this situation and convince the Bulgarian government to respect basic Turkish human rights," it added.

It said Saudi Arabia supported Turkey's drive for talks with Sofia to agree on the ethnic Turks' property and human rights.

Nearly 170,000 Bulgarian ethnic Turks have flooded into Turkey from Bulgaria since mid-May, saying that they are fleeing a five-year campaign of cultural and religious assimilation.

Turkey Foreign Minister Mesut Yilmaz, seeking support from Muslim countries against Bulgaria over the issue, held talks in Riyadh earlier this month with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal.

Yilmaz handed a message to King Fahd from Turkish President Kenan Evren and officials said Ankara was seeking support for a meeting of the 46-member Organisation of Islamic Conference.

The OIC chairman Kuwait has recalled its ambassador from Sofia for consultations in protest at the treatment of ethnic Turks.

The OIC ministerial council today called for "decisive" pan-Islamic action against Bulgaria in retaliation for the deportation of ethnic Turks.

Palestinians in the territories said that Israeli officials had tried to get signed statements from principals guaranteeing there would be no anti-Israeli protests at schools.

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"We know that Yugoslavia has excellent relations with Arab countries and with Palestinian organisations," the *Nin* news magazine quoted Shamir as saying.

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SUNDAY
July 23
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran
6.10 Care Bears Cartoon
6.30 Sea Hunt: "The Stunt." Mike accepts a challenge and make a daring dive.
7.00 Architecture at the Crossroads: tonight, a look at Berlin and the architectural heritage of this city.
8.00 News in English
8.40 MacLstrom: "House of Secrets." Catherine falls in love and has to decide whether she wants to stay in Norway or continue her journey.
9.30 The Secret World: "Jungles, the Green Hell." This programme unravels the mystery of the forests and hills.
10.00 Kate and Allie: "Piano Lessons." Kate's ex-husband buys a piano for his daughter. Comedy.
10.30 Best Seller: "The Monocled Mutineer." "Dead Man on Leave" is the title of tonight's episode. The mutiny was suppressed and Toplis goes underground. Based on the book by William Allison and John Fairley, it tells the story of the life and violent death of Percy Toplis, a petty criminal and racketeer who served as a soldier during World War I.
11.30 News Summary; Magazine D'Actualite; Holy Quran/Close-down

MONDAY
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran
6.10 Bionic Six: cartoon serial
6.30 Scheme of Things: "And Baby Makes Three." A look at space and the state of weightlessness.
7.00 Roving Report: a weekly report of regional and world news.
7.30 Charles-in-Charge: "Trade Off." Charles manages to arrange a trade-off in order to spend a night outdoors.
8.00 News in English
8.40 Paradise: "Private War." The fear of violence spreads in the town as Ethan is compelled to encounter certain challenges.
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10.00 Indefinite Evidence: Tonight's case baffles the investigators, until the forensic experts find evidence to arrest the criminal.
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6.00 Opening and Holy Quran
6.10 Amigo and Friends: cartoon series
6.30 Captain Power: "Summoning Thunder." Part 2. John is taken into custody and Stewart has to find a way to free his son.
7.00 Gone Fishing: "Australian Salmon." Fishing for salmon in Australian waters.
7.30 The New Adventure of Bean Baxter: "Beans Finds His Dad." Su compels Benjamin to carry out a dangerous mission in Bulgaria while Beans continues his attempt to rescue his father.



A scene from 'A Different World' on KTV2 on Tuesday.

WEDNESDAY
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran
6.10 Trollkins: cartoon series
6.30 Big Ice: "Ice Society." A look at penguins living in the Antarctic region.

THURSDAY
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran

FRIDAY
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran



A poster of 'The Real Ghost Busters' on KTV2 on Thursday.

WHAT'S ON

ARTS

Kuwait Science Museum
OPEN Saturday to Wednesday, 8-9 pm only. Natural history exhibits from in and around Kuwait, including blue whale. Closed on Thursday and Friday.

Islamic Arts Museum
SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon and 4.00 to 7.00 pm. Collection includes rare Islamic artefacts, Quranic manuscripts; ceramics, carpets and marine equipment. Arabian Gulf St.

Sedu House

SAT - Thurs: 9 am to 12 noon, 4 to 7.00 pm. Exhibits include bedouin handicrafts - rugs, saddle bags, cushions and textiles. Closed on Friday.

Tareq Rajab Museum
Sat - Thurs: 9-12 noon and 4-7 pm. Also open on Fridays from 9 to 12 noon.

SOCIAL

Exhibition
JULY 22: Foxton Property Search is holding a three-day exhibition at the Kuwait International Hotel. Exhibition hours are from 10:00 am to 9:00 pm. A range of properties will be presented. Private consultation can be arranged with Tim Brown from Foxtons until July 25 at the hotel.

Eid Mela

JULY 28: Eid Anando Mela organised by Nirjhar Cultural Group will be held at the Bangladeshi embassy premises at 7.30 pm. Admission is free but it is advisable to collect your gate pass. For details please contact, Tel: 3725675, 4313066, 4315759, 4315692.

Farewell pictures

Photographs taken at the farewell reception for outgoing Indian Ambassador N.N. Jha,

organised by the Indian community, are available from Sami Farooqi. Those who are interested in getting a copy of their contact Tel: 2446489.

D'Assisi Social Evening

AUG 1: D'Assisi Association will hold their social evening at the Messiah Beach Hotel. The highlights of the evening will be the crowning of the D'Assisi Queen. Top Ranks and Stepping Stones will provide the music. For more information contact Joe Jack Ferns on 5644178, Henry 3717346 or contact A.M. Fine Art, Shop No. 34, Al Karan Super Market, near GPO, Kuwait.

United Goans

AUG 3: Summerbelle '89 is about to happen. United Goans Centre present "Top Ranks and Stepping Stones" in a music saturated evening at the Tariq SAS Hotel. Crownings of Summerbelle, various competitions etc. to keep you on your toes. For details contact: Moses 254266, Joe 5655140, Anicet 2439249 after 6 pm.

Konkani drama

AUG 11: A Konkani drama entitled 'Batti Ani Bazaar' directed by Pascoal Rodrigues will be held at the Indian Arts Circle, Funaiates at 10 am and 4 pm. Gate passes are available at Raja Stores and Alex Martins Shop.

KAPILKU Children's Contest

AUGUST 11: KAPILKU will hold the Little Mr and Ms Philippines, Kuwait, contest at Showbiz Pizza place, Salma. This coincides with Arwa ng Mga Bata (Children's Day). Last date for submitting entries is July 28. For details contact Jojo Medrano, AVP, welfare and special projects, VCP Rosafe Austria or VP Sarah Macarimbang - Tel: 483447.

Independents ball

AUGUST 17: At the Mesilla Beach Hotel from 8.30 pm onwards. Organised by

Kuwait Independents Hockey. For tickets and details contact F. D'Mello (2421252) or S. Bajaj (2445825) after 7.30 pm.

Tivim Centre

OCT. 26: Tivim Centre's Breeze 89 is going to hit the floors of Ramada Al Salam Hotel New Ballroom at a social evening organised in commemoration of village festival. Top Rank and Stepping Stones will provide scintillating music. Lot of surprises await. For further information contact the organisers.

HOTELS

At the Kuwait International
FAILAKA Restaurant: Moroccan Food Promotion from July 22 to 27. Presents tempting dishes from Casablanca and exotic desserts from Northern Sahara. For lunch and dinner. Ext 8012.

La Palma: Presents a culinary trip around the world featuring authentic Chinese, Indian, Mexican, African, Italian, British, German, Austrian, Turkish and Arabic dishes. Theme nights on Tuesdays and Saturdays. Ext 8166.

Garden Pool: Relax by the pool and enjoy our barbecue pool every Friday afternoon.

At the Kuwait Plaza

Enjoy the fun; join the celebration of fun and games every Friday at Al Dallah coffee shop where you enjoy all kinds of delicious food. Continental dishes, mezzah, special sweets and Arabic ice-cream. A unique ambience with the most celebrated magician in town. A gift for every child. Fun for the whole family with Walt Disney characters. KD3.00 per child, KD4.500 per adult.

Loulwah corner: Featuring delights of Arabic ice-cream with nine different flavours specially made for the Kuwait Plaza by Syrian experts. Also offers jumbo size of all sorts of sandwiches ranging from the famous Lebanese 'forouj'.

chicken with garlic to steak sandwiches with the Plaza special touch. The famous oud player Fawzi Jamal who sings the best of the good old days songs. A special 4 course lunch for only KD2.500.

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La Tarboche: Daily lunch and dinner a la Carte. The Arab world specialities continues every Thursday featuring specialities from the Arab world cuisine.

Riccardo: Enjoy the best of Italian cuisine with home made pasta at the Riccardo everyday for lunch and dinner. The Ecrevisse promotion starts from June 24 to 29, entertainment by the Sienna Duo. Riccardo is closed on Friday.

At the SAS hotel

Visit the Far East with SAS. Relish the wide variety of authentic Chinese delicacies served in a very elegant surrounding the Peacock Room. Open for lunch and dinner. For reservation, call 5657000 ext 403 or 352.

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KTV 1 weekly highlights

SUNDAY	9.00 Opening and Holy Quran	10.45 Arabic serial: Trial Without Prison
7.30 Charles-in-Charge: "Trade Off." Charles manages to arrange a trade-off in order to spend a night outdoors.	9.30 Cartoons	THURSDAY
8.00 News in English	11.10 Local serial: Izaaj. Starring: Ghani Al Saleh, Dawood Hussain	9.00 Opening and Holy Quran
8.40 Paradise: "Private War." The fear of violence spreads in the town as Ethan is compelled to encounter certain challenges.	12.15 Cultural programme	9.30 Cartoons
9.30 227: "Brother from the Sister City." Brenda wins a race and dreams of becoming a star.	4.00 Arabic play: Al Zammar. Starring: Sayed Zayan, Sharifa Maher	12.05 Japanese sports programme
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	10.45 Variety programme with singer Mohammad Rushdi	WEDNESDAY
	MONDAY	9.00 Opening and Holy Quran
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	9.30 Cultural film	12.30 Local variety programme: Huwar Wa Naghah
	4.00 Historical serial: Meerah Al Saneen	4.00 Football match: Brazil vs Scotland, World Cup 1982.
	5.45 Children and Summer	6.00 Children programme: Laila Min Al Laila
	7.30 Holy Quran and Science	7.00 World About Us
		8.30 Cultural programme

TELEVISION PROGRAMMES

KTV 1	
9.00 Opening and Holy Quran	
9.15 Good Morning programme	
9.30 Children programme: Iftah Ya Simsim	
10.00 Magazine D'Actualite	
10.15 Daily Arabic serial: Al Hub Wa Al Sabbar	
11.00 News in Brief	
11.20 Arabic serial: Al Naser wa Ayoon Al Madinah	
12.05 News in Brief	
12.15 Weekly Arabic serial: Min Ajel Ghadi	
1.00 News in Brief	
1.05 World Today via Satellite	
1.30 Children serial: Floom	
2.15 New Arabic serial: Harah Naseyaha Al Zaman. Starring: Tawfiq Al Asha, Hala Shawkat	
3.10 Religious programme	
3.45 Cartoon serial: Bibi Folk and Calimiro	
4.00 English film: Mastermind	
6.30 Local programme: The Little Artist	
7.00 Cultural programme	
8.30 Religious programme: Fi Nour Ar Islam	
9.00 News in Arabic	
10.00 Daily Arabic serial: Hareebat Min Al Madi	
10.45 Arabic play: Dawlat Fahmi Al Atti Lam Yaaretha Ahad	
12.15 News in Brief	
12.20 World Today via Satellite and Close-down	

KTV 2	
6.00 Opening and Holy Quran	
6.10 Poppies: new cartoon series for young viewers	
6.30 Owl: a look at the natives of the north Arctic region; also skating and teaching the art of making colourful collages.	
7.00 The Wild World of Animals: "African Water holes." Most animals breed near lakes and water reservoirs; a look at some of the animal sanctuaries.	
7.30 Full House: "But Seriously Folks." Uncle teaches D.G. and Stephanie to play musical instrument.	
8.00 Our House: "	

JULY 22, 1989

BUSINESS & FINANCE

Morocco's economic progress praised

ABAT, July 21. (Reuters): World Bank president Barber onale has told Morocco's leaders that they must keep spending under control if their heavily-indebted country is to become a major success story for the world lending body.

In meetings with government officials, businessmen and bankers over the last three days, Barber praised an economic performance which resulted in a growth last year of 10 per cent and an inflation rate of 2.3 per cent.

But, despite mounting domestic pressures to loosen economic restraints and bring down unemployment, he urged the government to keep a tight lid on spending.

"Morocco has to be congratulated for seizing the opportunity offered in the last few years and I believe you can be satisfied with the progress realised," he told a group of businessmen today.

"Morocco can be justly proud of its results, but it has achieved what it has achieved because it has proved itself capable of adhering to a certain fiscal discipline which is a constraining force," he told bankers in Casablanca on Wednesday.

The budget almost balanced last year for the first time in 15 years. But the measures to cut the deficit from its peak of 12 billion dirhams (\$1.4 billion) in 1982 placed severe strains on social cohesion.

Since Morocco launched a World Bank-inspired austerity drive five years ago, exports have risen by about 90 per cent and a deficit of 1 billion dirhams (\$1.3 billion) in the current account has turned into a surplus of 1.7 billion (213 million).

Sheikh Ali in Jeddah

JEDDAH, July 21, (OPECNA): Kuwait's Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa arrived here last evening on an official visit to Saudi Arabia.

The minister was received by Saudi Arabian Petroleum and Mineral Resources Minister Hisham M Nazer.

Speaking on his arrival, Sheikh Ali said the visit came within the framework of continuing co-ordination and consultation between the two countries on oil policy matters.

Indian rupee 0.018060
Sri Lankan rupee 0.005640
Pakistani rupee 0.014220
Bangladesh taka 0.009130
US dollars 0.297250
Pound sterling 0.480000
Deutsche mark 0.155550
UAE dirham 0.080980
Japanese yen 0.002100

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10	Viktor Talsukhin	Al Rashed	2422026
11	Baaghdad	KSA	4843150
12	Ville Doman	YAAAS	4745533
13	Chattanooga-L	Balship	2436920
15	Capt Ali	Algh Barwil	4842988
17	Mette Clipper	Gh & Q	4347815
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Crash casts pall over United's revival

CHICAGO, July 21, (AP): The deadly crash of United flight 232 marred a bold resurgence by the nation's second-largest airline from years of marginal profitability, labour strife and corporate infighting.

Only a day before the jumbo jet cartwheeled through an Iowa cornfield, United chairman Stephen Wolf announced the company was seeking government approval for several trans-Atlantic routes in a bid to make the carrier, which already has extensive Pacific routes, "a truly global airline."

Such lofty ambitions were possible because of United's dramatic recovery over the past 18 months, but the crash has cast a pall over that revival.

"Usually for a short period of time there is customer avoidance of a carrier that has had an incident," said Robert J. Joedick, an industry analyst with Shearson Lehman Hutton Inc. in New York.

"This tends to wear off fairly

promptly," especially in the busy summer season, he said.

The past five years have witnessed a bitter, month-long walkout by the airline's pilots and flight attendants. They also saw United go through an identity crisis in which the company embarked on an ambitious acquisition spree to become a complete travel service company.

This tumultuous period in United's 62-year history eventually brought new leadership and a return to the company's airline roots. It also included the 1987 opening of United's home-base terminal at Chicago's O'Hare Airport — a frosted glass-and-steel showcase for the airline's recovery.

The stock of United's parent company, UAL Corp., has soared in recent weeks with other airline stocks following the announced takeover of Northwest Airlines parent NWA Inc. by an international investors' group.

UAL stock closed at \$172 on Thursday, down \$1 and 50 cents.

Analysts say United's 80 per cent ownership of its 408-plane fleet — the highest rate among major carriers — considerably enhances its appeal. Many airlines lease their aircraft rather than own them.

Last spring, Wolf announced United had placed orders and options for as many as 370 Boeing planes worth \$15.4 billion. The huge purchase is central to United's goal of restoring its rank as the nation's largest domestic carrier, a title assumed by American Airlines in recent months, said United spokeswoman Sue Moss.

In April, Wolf announced first-quarter revenues rose almost 12 per cent to \$2.3 billion and profits from continuing operations more than doubled to \$65.4 million, making it "our fifth consecutive quarter of superb earnings and the best first-quarter of United's history."

In contrast, for 10 lean years starting in 1977, Chicago-based UAL reported profits just four times and increased its fleet only slightly.

"The financial results speak for themselves. They certainly have done an excellent turnaround," Joedick said.

Wolf took over in December 1987 with a plan: quality service would lead to improved earnings that would enable the airline to expand its fleet and operations.

He was brought in after UAL's brief, ill-starred run as Allegis Corp. The name change came in February 1987, during the tenure of former chairman Richard Ferris.

Ferris envisioned a travel services conglomerate combining air travel, car rental, hotels and a reservations system. But big losses produced pressure for change from major shareholders.

Only four months after the firm became Allegis, Ferris resigned.

New management quickly took steps to restore the UAL name and dump the non-airline businesses.

Before Ferris departed, dissension over his plans prompted a \$4.1 billion bid for United from the union representing its pilots.

Although the admittedly out-dated offer still stands, United's pilots are "pleased that the airline is independent once again," said Hank Krakowski of the Air Line Pilots Association.

United was the target of a bitter 29-day walkout by the pilots and the association of flight attendants in May and June 1985. The carrier won the day, imposing two-tier contracts with lower pay scales for new hires at the end of the strike.

The provision remains as the key obstacle in United's on-again, off-again talks with the flight attendants, whose contract expired in 1987, and is a major issue for the pilots, whose pact expired last year.



A United Airlines official escorts an unidentified woman into a special reception area for victims' friends and relatives at Denver's Stapleton Airport on Wednesday (Reuter wirephoto)

Cairo likely to raise import duties IMF wins Mubarak's praise

CAIRO, July 21, (Reuters): The International Monetary Fund (IMF) won rare praise today from Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak, one of its most caustic critics in the past.

"The whole world spares no effort in helping Egypt and standing by it, as well as economic institutions foremost of which is the IMF," he told party supporters in Cairo.

"They (the institutions) know that Egypt is unique in representing the key to stability in the Middle East," said Mubarak, quoted by Egypt's Middle East News Agency.

Mubarak, who last year likened the IMF to a "quack doctor," told the annual conference of his ruling National Democratic Party why Egypt needed agreement with the fund over proposed economic

reforms.

"The IMF gives an international certificate stating the strength of the Egyptian economy which means rescheduling the debts — that gives greater ability to develop and increase employment," the agency quoted him as saying.

An IMF official left Cairo earlier this month saying he was optimistic about an accord that would help Egypt reschedule part of its \$50 billion debt and win new credits.

Cash is urgently needed to help Egypt feed, house and clothe its population, estimated at nearly 60 million and growing by about 60 million every seven months.

Mubarak has long resisted IMF calls for cuts in state subsidies on food and energy, fearing price rises would spark social upheaval similar to the so-called

bread riots of 1977.

The party's annual conference is focused this year on unemployment, which the government estimates at 1.1 million. Unofficial estimates range from two to four million.

"Egyptian people's capacity for tolerance is very high," said Galal Amin, economics professor at the American University of Cairo. "But what has been happening over the last two years has been unprecedented. The lower middle classes and the poor have had to make more sacrifices than they ever have before."

The poor have watched bread prices creep upwards. Middle classes either cannot afford or cannot find imported luxuries. Sixty per cent of graduates cannot find a job immediately.

The budget deficit, the key issue for the IMF, will be cut

mainly by raising revenues rather than by slashing subsidies.

Spending has been held down, with public sector salaries to rise this year by just 15 per cent — about half the inflation rate. There were small reductions in energy and bread subsidies.

New revenues are to come partly by taxing Egyptians working abroad. The state is also expected to raise import duties by abolishing an artificially low exchange rate at which customs duties are calculated.

With the IMF apparently satisfied by budget forecasts, experts tentatively predict an IMF accord in September followed by a debt rescheduling pact in October at the informal Paris club of creditor nations.

Egypt needs an IMF accord to help it reschedule some \$4 billion of debt. Total debt is \$50 billion.

Gold down

LONDON, July 21, (Agencies): A torpid summer week on European currency markets ended today with the dollar back roughly where it began and dealers finding little of substance on which to put their money.

"The dollar fell, the dollar rose, the dollar moved around," commented analyst David Deakin of the Nikko Bank in London.

He was referring in particular to indications made by the chairman of the US Federal Reserve Board, Alan Greenspan, that high American interest rates might be brought down

cautiously.

Greenspan's statement on monetary policy to the US Congress on Thursday failed to stir listless dealers.

They also found little else where to inspire them and held their fire before Sunday's Japanese upper house of parliament elections.

Even there, expected losses by the ruling Liberal Democratic Party have already been discounted in European markets, and the dollar remained becalmed against the yen.

Shares were also sluggish in London and Paris at the end of a

bullish week that had seen key indices reach new highs on the back of a boom on Wall Street which ended on Thursday.

But, against expectations of a retreat through profit taking, the Frankfurt bourse jumped to a 1989 high for the fourth time this week.

After opening at 1,9025 West German marks and 141.95 Japanese yen, the dollar made modest gains in London to finish at 1,9093, up just 0.18 pence from its closing price on Monday. It gained 0.23 yen today to end at 142.18, up a mere 0.63 from Monday.

"Today has been dominated by chance factors in every currency," said a Frankfurt trader. "There is no real trend anywhere."

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NAME	LAST	INCHCAPE	282.0	BOOTH ENR	510/0	513/0	NEWHORTH	290/0	289/0	ROCKFORT	92/0	93/0
JAGUAR	404/0	KINGFISHER	330.0	BORTHWICK	42/0	43/0	RESTAIR	237/0	236/0	ROTHSCHILD	647/0	645/0
LAND SECS	590/0	LA BROKE	318/0	BR ASSETS	84/0	83/4	HICKSM IX	263/0	262/0	ROTOR	164/0	163/0
LAPORTE	470/0	LAND SECS	590/0	BR DREDGI	173/0	171/0	HIGGS HIL	322/0	322/0	RUGBY GRP	197/0	196/0
LAST	520/0	LAPORTE	470/0	BR VITA	288/0	288/0	HMBRD CITY	51/0	51/0	RUTLAND T	41/0	42/0
ABBEY NAT	46.25	LEGAL+GEN	349.0	BRENT CHE	142/0	142/0	HMBRD 20P	228/0	228/0	SAGA GRP	300/0	300/0
ADT LTD	189/0	LLOYDS BK	360.0	BRENT WKR	390/0	390/0	HNTL SPINR	151/0	151/0	SALE TLNY	207/0	208/0
ALD LYONS	505.0	LONRHO	297.0	BRIDON	207/0	207/0	HOLMES PR	80/0	79/0	SALESEVN	153/0	152/0
ANSTRAD	76.0	LUCAS IND	645/0	BRITAIN SE	186/0	186/0	SAVILLE G	71/0	71/0	SAVILLE G	71/0	71/0
ARGYLL GP	229/0	MAGNET	237.0	A.B.ELECT	391/0	391/0	SAVIOY "A"	878/0	875/0	GEOP MTR-80	81/0	80/0
ASDA GP	191.0	MAGNET AS	237.0	A.S.W.HLD	269/0	269/0	AEROF LAB	4/3	4/3	NI MONH-10	0	1/1
BAA	356/0	MAXKS+SP	201.5	AAB KENT	122/0	122/0	AEONL LIFE	58/2	58/0	NI MONH-72	0	0
BTR	408.0	MAXWELL C	188.0	AAH HLD	409/0	409/0	AHMANSO	22/1	22/3	GIIR FI CL	*10	*11
BAT INDS	886.0	MAXWELL C	188.0	AARSON	94/0	94/0	AHMANSO	16/1	16/1	NICOR INC	34/3	34/3
BARCLAYS	486/0	MB GROUP	202/0	ADISON	42.0	41.5	ACME CLVLD	11/6	11/6	GENE TECH	17/5	17/4
BASS	038.0	MECCA LEI	169/0	ADWEST	227/0	228/0	ACME CLVLD	9/0	9/1	NEWMT HI	38/0	38/0
BEAZER	182.0	NEXT	146/0	ALEX WRK	211/0	211/0	ACME CLVLD	32/4	32/6	NEW PLA RE	17/2	17/3
BEECHAMS	627.0	NT FOODS	340.0	ALD COLL	157/4	159/0	ACME CLVLD	6/14	6/15	NEWMT HI	40/5	40/6
BERISFORD	156.0	P & O DFD	695.5	ALD IR B	175/0	176/0	ACME CLVLD	11/6	11/6	NEWMT HI	33/0	32/7
BICC PLC	525/0	PEARL	505.0	ALD PART	75/4	75/0	ACME CLVLD	38/0	37/7	SKITH BEC	60/0	60/3
BLUAR ARR	112.0	PEARSON	745/0	ALD PART	382/0	383/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	SNL PLU	35/0	35/5
BLE CIRC	551/0	PILKINGTON	243/0	ALD TEXT	104/0	104/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	SOURCE CAP	41/2	41/2
BOC GP	527/0	PLESSEY	268.0	ALLIANCE	104/0	104/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	SOUTHERN	26/7	27/0
BOOTS CO	280.0	RACAL ELC	431.0	AMBER DAY	71/4	71/4	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TECHNIX	22/2	22/4
BPB INDS	251/0	RACAL TEL	364/0	AMEC	470/0	468/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TELEDYN	366/4	366/2
BR COMM	175.0	RANKE HVIS	450.0	AMER TST	162/4	162/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEX AMER B	0	0
BR AIRWAY	203.0	RANKE ORG	953.0	AMERSHAN	472/0	470/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TECO ENERG	26/1	26/2
BR AEROSP	720/0	RECKITT+CO	195/0	AMT HLTHC	431/0	430/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEKTRONIX	22/2	22/4
BR GAS RG	195.0	REDLAND	604/0	ANGLIA SC	200/0	199/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS IND	34/1	34/3
BR LAND	379/0	REED	423.0	ANGLIA TV	275/0	274/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS INST	38/4	38/4
B.P.	308/0	RHIC GRP	748/0	ANNSBACHER	76/0	76/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	32/4	32/6
BR STEEL	75/6	REUTERS	780/0	APPLEAD	166/0	167/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
BR TELCOM	259/0	RTZ CORP	506.0	APV PLC	149/0	149/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
BUNZL	143.5	ROLLS ROY	192/0	ARTYST	408/0	410/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
BURMAN OL	652/0	ROTHMAN B	652/0	ATTWOODS	478/0	478/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
BURTON	246/0	ROYAL INS	413/0	AUST REED	408/0	410/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
CABLE&WIR	510/0	SAATCHI	313/0	AVCO SEC	250/0	250/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
CADBURY	455.0	SAINTSBURY	263/0	AVESCO	154/0	153/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
CALOR GRP	417.0	SEARS	130/0	AVIS EUR	441/0	440/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
CRLTN CON	806/0	SEDGEWICK	251.0	COATES BR	284/0	282/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
CRLTN R.T.	325/0	SELL	432/0	COLROD	326/0	327/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
COOKSONS	351/0	SIEBE	556/0	COOPER F	134/0	134/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
COURTAULD	361/0	SLOUGH ES	368.0	COOPER F	134/0	134/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
DALGETY	406/0	SMITH IND	325.0	COOPER F	250/0	253/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
DIXONS	169/0	SMITH-NEPH	138.0	COALITE	477/0	475/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
ENG CHINA	475.0	STD.CHART	529.0	COOPER F	250/0	253/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
ENTER OIL	62/0	STOREHSE	152/0	COOPER F	195/0	195/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
FIKI BABCK	177.0	SUN ALLIA	296/0	CRYSTAL	114/0	115/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
FERRANTI	90.00	SUN LIFE	053.0	CTRY PROP	231/0	230/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
FISONS	325/0	TARMAC	312/0	DARES	34/2	34/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GATEWAY	231.0	TATELYLE	283.0	DAVY CORP	278/0	279/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GEN ACCID	991.0	TYLWOOD	312.0	DAWSON GP	138/0	135/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GEN ELEC	262/0	TI GROUP	472/0	DELTA GRP	365/0	364/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GLAXO	410.0	TRAF HSE	366.0	DEVENISH	325/0	325/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GRANADA	352/0	TSB	108.0	DIPLONA	221/0	222/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GLOBE	191.5	T + N	244/0	DOBSON	102/0	102/4	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GUARD RYL	220.0	ERKELEY	283.0	DODMAG	360/0	361/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GNKL	427.0	UNILEVER	635.0	DODMAG	490/0	493/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
GUINNESS	526/0	UDT NSPR	448.0	DODMAG	281/0	280/0	ACME CLVLD	55/3	55/2	TEXAS UTIL	19/5	19/5
HIMMERS A	783/0	WELLCOME	455.0	BMK IR	233/0	234/0	AC					

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

International Bond Highlights

LONDON: General Motors Acceptance Corp of Canada is issuing a 100 mln ECU five year 8-3/4 pct Eurobond priced at 101.65, lead manager is Salomon Brothers. The Stock Board of Canada is issuing a 75 mln stg Eurobond due August 21, 1994, paying 11-1/2 pct and priced at 101.71 pct, lead manager is Salomon Brothers International Ltd and lead underwriter is Salomon Brothers.

Amsterdam: Dutch Membranepolymers bank Banca Vontobel N.V. and N.V. Nederlandse Commercieel is making its debut in the Eurobond market with a 200 mln guilder, 7-1/2 pct, 10 year straight issue priced at 101.20 pct, lead manager Amro-Krediet Bank.

Hong Kong: A 10.5 billion dlrs syndicated loan to container port operator Hong Kong International Terminals Ltd will be placed in the market today, banking sources said. About 30 banks are expected to join.

Tokyo: Commercial banks are likely to start negotiations on debt reduction with Venezuela and Costa Rica after a debt financing plan for Mexico is completed, a leading Japanese banker said.

Paris: The Paris Club of creditors nations has agreed to reschedule payments due on certain loans to Angola, the French Finance Ministry said in a statement.

New York: Standard and Poor's Corp said it has introduced a new service to evaluate bondholders' protection against corporate credit risk.

London: Maxwell Corporation PLC said it repaid ahead of schedule the 1.1 billion dlrs short-term syndicated loan facility arranged to finance, in part, the acquisition of US publisher Macmillan Inc.

Cairo: Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak on Friday praised the International Monetary Fund for its efforts to help his country in remarks which contrasted with his rejection of the fund last year as a "quack doctor".

SUMMARY

	PR. CLOSE	OPEN	CLOSE	GNFC	33	33.50	32.50	NAT. ORG	--	--	--
C	299.50	397.50	293	GRASIM	124.50	120.50	121.25	KIPPON	37.50	37.50	38.50
EM CHEM	--	--	--	GSFC	153.75	156.25	155	NOCIL	980	975	960
ENR. WIS	--	--	--	GUJ ALKL	69	68	68	OKRAY	17	17	17
I FAB	--	--	--	GUJ HEAVY	11	10	11	OSMAL AGRO	73	72	72.50
HOK. LEY	75	72.50	75	HERA HONDA	21	21	22	PEICO	20	19	19.50
IA PAINT	187.50	187.50	185	HIND CIBA	900	900	890	PFIZER	67.50	66.50	67
LAS COP	38	37	36.50	HIND COCOA	112.50	112	112	PONDS	173.75	171.25	170
LO COOP	73	70	73	HIND LEVER	93	93	92	PREM AUTO	51.25	51	50
IAU AUTO	355	352.50	347.50	HIND MOTOR	33.75	33.75	33.50	RANBAXY	82.50	80	82.50
IR RAYON	555	557.50	545	HINDALCO	295	292.50	290	RAY WOOL	84	82.50	83.50
I BOND	83	81.50	--	HOECHST	765	760	760	RECKITT	182.50	180	182.50
IN PLAST	--	--	--	IND ORG	39.50	39	38	RELIANCE	123	122	118
IN DYE	128.50	130	128.50	IND RAYON	80	79	79.50	SESA GOA	42.25	42	42
IR INDEX	752.86	754.10	754.10	INDROL	301.25	300	296.25	SHAW WALL	--	--	--
IRR. WEL	197.50	195	200	INGERSOLL	390	387	390	SHREE CEM	--	--	--
IN SHARE	--	--	--	ITC	114.50	114	112.50	SHRI FIR	92	86	85
IN ENKA	2700	2700	2680	JR. SYN	78.75	78	77.50	SIEMENS	69	67	69
IN SPG	1925	1915	1920	KIN ENGG	152.50	150	153.75	SKF	1300	1300	1300
IL GATE	318.75	318.75	316.25	KIR CUM	61	61.25	62	SPIC	53.25	52.75	52.75
KONT GR	1375	1400	1375	KSB PUMPS	380	380	385	ST. NILLS	380	375	360
IN	10.50	9.50	10	L A&T	99	101	98	TATA CHEN	125	123.50	122
SEP FERT	30.25	29.50	30	LIPTON	74	73	74	TATA OIL	72.50	72.50	70
INLOP	79	77	79	MAC RUSSEL	115	113	115	TATA POM	447.50	447.50	435
I HOTELS	61	59	61	MAD COATS	106	102	104	TELCO	980	977.50	968.7
SKORTS	67.25	66	66	MAHINDRA	91	91	90.50	THAPP AGRO	--	--	--
SKYFEE	122.50	122.50	121.25	MAS SHARE	16.35	16.25	16.15	TISCO	1363	1362	1335
SSAR SPG	26.75	26.50	26	MITCO	650	640	640	VAM ORG	171	171	172
DOOR SPL	167.50	165	165	MILKFOOD	205	205	200	WARELL	23.75	22.50	25
ORBES	51	52.50	55	MODI	97.50	92.50	95	VOLTAS	840	835	840
AR POLY	63.50	62.50	63	MRF LTD	--	--	--	WINCO	16.75	16.50	16.75
E SHIPING	44.50	44.35	43.50	MUR IRON	132	131	130	ZENITH	55	54	55
LINDIA	90	89.50	89	NAT INDEX	368.10	368.22	370	ZUARI AGRO	71	70	71

PRICES/STOCKS

TOKYO

STOCK	LAST PR-CLSE	STOCK	LAST PR-CLSE	MITSUB. CP	1510	1500	MITSUB. EL	1190	1170	MITSUB. EST	2590	2580
AIJINMOTO	2640	2620	AKAI ELEC	741	745	745	MITSUB. HVY	1260	1240	MITSUB. HVY	1260	1240
AKOI	1320	1310	ASAHI GLS	2390	2390	2390	MITSUKOSHI	2260	2260	MITSUKOSHI	2260	2260
ASAHI OPT	915	917	BANK TOKYO	1690	1670	1670	MITSUMI EL	1000	1030	MITSUMI EL	1000	1030
BRIDGESTON	1670	1650	CANON	1830	1830	1830	NICHICON	1190	1190	NICHICON	1190	1190
CASIO CORP	1410	1410	CHUGAI PHM	1810	1820	1820	NIP KOKAN	816	800	NIP KOKAN	816	800
CITIZEN W	1130	1110	CITIZEN W	1130	1110	1110	NIP OIL	1430	1420	NIP OIL	1430	1420
D-ICHI KAN	3350	3310	DAI NIP IK	892	885	885	NIP STEEL	864	844	NIP STEEL	864	844
DAI NIP PT	2350	2290	DAI NIP SC	1280	1230	1230	NIP YUSEN	1080	1030	NIP YUSEN	1080	1030
DAI NIP TO	945	951	DAI NIP TO	1080	1080	1080	NIS MOTOR	1540	1540	NIS MOTOR	1540	1540
DAICEL	1080	1080	DAICEL	2290	2270	2270	NOMURA SEC	3220	3180	NOMURA SEC	3220	3180
DAIMON	2290	2270	DAIMON	1910	1880	1880	ORIBA CO	1280	1290	ORIBA CO	1280	1290
DAIMA H	2290	2190	DAIMA H	2290	2190	2190	PENTA GCM	1340	1350	PENTA GCM	1340	1350
DAIMA SEC	2230	2190	PIONEER	3930	3900	3900	RENOVA	1100	1100	RENOVA	1100	1100
EBRA MFG	2330	2340	EBRA MFG	1980	2000	2000	RICON	1270	1280	RICON	1270	1280
EISAI	1980	2000	EISAI	1640	1630	1630	SANKYO	2470	2490	SANKYO	2470	2490
FUJITSU	1640	1630	FUJITSU	3530	3490	3490	SANYO ELEC	910	891	SANYO ELEC	910	891
FUJI PHOTO	4390	4390	FUJI PHOTO	4390	4390	4390	SEIYU ST	2400	2250	SEIYU ST	2400	2250
FUJISAWA	1720	1700	FUJISAWA	1720	1700	1700	SEKISUI PB	2110	2110	SEKISUI PB	2110	2110
FUJITI CP	1910	1880	FUJITI CP	1910	1880	1880	SHARP	1500	1470	SHARP	1500	1470
HITACHI	1620	1590	HITACHI	1620	1590	1590	SHISEIDO	1820	1800	SHISEIDO	1820	1800
HONDA MOT	1990	1960	HONDA MOT	1990	1960	1960	SONY	8000	8000	SONY	8000	8000
ISETAN	2430	2390	ISETAN	2430	2390	2390	SUMITOMO	1390	1380	SUMITOMO	1390	1380
ITO YOKADO	4120	4010	ITO YOKADO	4120	4010	4010	TAISEI	1640	1620	TAISEI	1640	1620
JAP. SYR. RU	1170	1170	JAP. SYR. RU	15900	15900	15900	TAISEI MRW	1430	1400	TAISEI MRW	1430	1400
JAPAN AIR	15900	15900	JAPAN AIR	15900	15900	15900						

Economic development is Tehran's main task: Rafsanjani

Iran to invest \$10b in industry

NICOSIA, July 21, (Reuter): Iran will invest nearly \$10 billion in its troubled heavy industries under a five-year plan now being drafted, the Iranian news agency IRNA said yesterday.

The agency said the plan would create 43,000 jobs and treble annual output of heavy industries to 324 billion rials (\$4.38 billion) with annual growth of 24 per cent.

Earlier this month, Deputy Minister of Heavy Industry Mohammad Hassan Sazegara was quoted by IRNA as saying 120 state-run factories comprising 80 per cent of Iran's heavy industries worked at

30 per cent of capacity and lost several billion dollars last year.

Sazegara said deflationary policy over the past eight years had cut investment and depressed production but failed to check inflation which continued to plague the economy.

IRNA, monitored in Nicosia, said the five-year plan had to be approved by the Supreme Economic Council and parliament before it would be implemented.

Major areas of growth for heavy industries were machine-building, buses and exports, it said.

Exports are expected to rise to an annual \$392 million from just \$4 million last year. Total exports over the five years would amount to \$933 million, IRNA said.

Of the 714 billion rials (\$9.65 billion) of planned investment, 503 billion rials (\$6.80 billion) will be provided by the state sector and the rest by the private sector.

Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, expected to be elected Iran's president next week, said yesterday economic development was the nation's main task in the next decade.

"Our main work is in this area because in the 10 years after the revolution we were not able to deal with the people's economic problems because of the war (with Iraq)," he said in a 30-minute speech on television.

Rafsanjani, speaker of parliament and acting commander of the armed forces, is widely expected to beat his only opponent in the July 28 elections.

Constitutional amendments to be voted on at the same time would eliminate the post of prime minister and concentrate executive power in the presidency.

Rafsanjani, 54, said Iran should follow the general line laid down by the late Ayatollah Khomeini, including the "neither East, nor West" principle in foreign policy.

"But of course with the interpretation that it does not mean cutting links, but rather maintaining healthy relations and rejecting hegemonism and domination," he said in the speech monitored in Cyprus.

He listed economic priorities as developing natural gas resources, training technicians and stabilising the rial.

World Bank income up 9pc

NEW YORK, July 21, (UPI): The World Bank said yesterday its net income for fiscal year 1989, which ended June 30, rose nearly 9 per cent to \$1,094 billion from \$1,004 billion in fiscal 1988.

It was the fifth straight year the Washington-based international lending institution, which finances commercial and other projects primarily in developing nations, posted income in excess of \$1 billion.

The bank said return on assets came to 1.09 per cent, while the reserve-to-loan ratio increased to 10.2 per cent from 9.3 per cent in 1988.

Gross yield on average total earnings assets was 8.2 per cent in fiscal 1989, compared with 8.3 per cent in fiscal 1988. The bank said the average yield on dispersed and outstanding loans that totalled \$77.9 billion on June 30 was 7.86 per cent, compared with 7.94 per cent last year.

As a result of the strengthened reserves position, Ernest Stern, senior vice president for finance at the World Bank, told a news conference the bank was able to reduce the commitment charged on outstanding loans balances to 0.25 per cent from 0.75 per cent for the current fiscal year starting July 1. He said the resulting savings to borrowers would be about \$200 million.

Spread among 17 different currencies, the bank's borrowings came to \$9.3 billion in fiscal 1989, at an average cost of 7.73 per cent and an average term of 7.8 years. After swaps, 99 per cent of the borrowing programme was in US dollars, Japanese yen, West German marks and Swiss francs, the bank said.

Stern said the bank agreed earlier this year to provide support for debt and debt service reduction to developing member countries that have a big external debt burden. To be eligible, he said, countries must satisfy three conditions:

■ They must implement medium-term adjustment programme satisfactory to the bank.

■ They must demonstrate a clear need for debt or debt service reduction to achieve medium-term objectives.

■ They must have a financing plan showing significant benefits from debt reduction, which will enhance the country's development prospects.

Kissinger joins Revlon

NEW YORK, July 21, (AP): Former US Secretary of State Henry Kissinger has been elected to an indefinite term on Revlon Group Inc.'s board of directors, the cosmetics company announced yesterday.

Kissinger will be the 14th member of Revlon's board, which also includes actress Audrey Hepburn and Ann Getty, wife of oil heir Gordon P. Getty.

Last month, the privately held company announced that former first lady Nancy Reagan had become a director.

Revlon chairman and chief executive officer Ronald O. Perleman said Kissinger's "unparalleled knowledge of world affairs and global markets will provide an invaluable perspective to our board's oversight of Revlon's growing international operations."

Kissinger, who was Secretary of State from 1973 to 1975 and won the Nobel peace prize in 1973, already serves on the boards of American Express Co., Union Pacific Corp. and R.J. Mac and Co., among others.

Revlon, which said its board holds regular quarterly meetings, doesn't disclose how much financial compensation directors receive.

Strategy to impede recession

Fed likely to lower interest rates



Alan Greenspan

The central bank predicted the economy, after adjusting for inflation, will grow by two per cent to 2.5 per cent this year and by 1.5 per cent to two per cent in 1990. Inflation as measured by the consumer price index should ease to between 4.5 per cent and five per cent in 1990 from 5.5 per cent.

The congressional budget office, a bipartisan arm of the Congress that analyses the budget, issued its own report saying the economy will slow but avoid a recession.

The Fed chairman said the US central bank has been pushing down interest rates in an effort to avoid a recession but acknowledged

the bank's best efforts might not be enough.

After a year of raising interest rates to dampen inflationary pressures, Greenspan said, the Fed switched course in June and began lowering rates because of widespread signs of a weakening economy.

Elsewhere on Capitol Hill, the administration of President George Bush praised the Fed's efforts to drive down interest rates.

Michael Boskin, the President's chief economic adviser, told the joint economic committee that the central bank had acted prudently and had avoided "any major policy mistakes."

Freeze goes on

Can China pay its debt?

BEIJING, July 21, (Reuter): China will have difficulty paying its foreign debts unless it gets new loans but foreign banks are unwilling to lend because of Western sanctions imposed after the bloody suppression of a democracy movement, bankers in Beijing said.

"Before June 4, there was no problem. Everyone wanted to lend to China," a Japanese banker said.

"Now, no one wants to lend so we are becoming nervous of its ability to repay. It will have to borrow again to pay off existing debts."

Troops entered Beijing on June 4 to crush the democracy movement, killing hundreds, perhaps thousands of people. A wave of arrests followed and at least 13 executions.

The continuing crackdown has provoked outrage in the West and a freeze on new loans by the World Bank and countries such as Japan and France. A summit meeting on the leading seven industrial nations last weekend endorsed the bank's decision.

Kuniji Miyazaki, chairman of the Bankers' Association of Japan, said in Tokyo this week Japanese banks should be wary of making new loans to China.

"When you don't need money, everyone wants to lend it to you," commanded a second Japanese banker in Beijing. "When you need it, no one will lend to you."

Before the crackdown China was a welcome customer for foreign banks and able to obtain favourable terms. Since then the government has stressed repeatedly its ambitious reform programme would not change.

"So they say, but the number one reformer and

the man best known in the outside world is gone," the first banker said, referring to the June 24 sacking of Communist Party chief Zhao Ziyang, accused of aiding student protesters.

"The reformers will slow. Then what happens when (senior leader) Deng Xiaoping and the other old men die? What power struggles will there be then?"

He said Premier Li Peng had not made a deep impression when he visited Japan in April, adding: "We like Zhao."

The China Daily newspaper says the country's debt had increased by 38 per cent a year over the last four years, reaching \$42 billion at the end of March.

From next year, repayment of interest and principal will rise from the current \$7 billion a year to 10 billion a year, the Shanghai News Daily forecast.

China's foreign exchange reserves were \$17.5 billion in March, about \$170 million above the January level, according to the People's Bank of China.

"One result of the chaos is a worsening of our external balance of payments this year with a drop in tourist income, foreign loans and foreign investment," the Peking Financial News said.

"This will force us to import less, worsening domestic supply shortages," it added.

Deputy Foreign Trade Minister Shen Juaren was more upbeat in remarks at Beijing's first international trade fair, reported in the People's Daily on Thursday.

"We have ability to repay our debts, with the repayment level at 15 per cent of annual export earnings," he said.

Argentina to cut debt arrears to IMF

Additional funding planned

WASHINGTON, July 21, (Reuter): Argentina has paid back \$40 million in debt arrears to the International Monetary Fund and plans to eliminate arrears to the Inter-American Development Bank and the World Bank, the Argentine foreign minister said yesterday.

In order to initiate serious conversation with multilateral institutions and with the commercial banks, the first thing we have to do is to put our house in order and that is what we are right now doing," Domingo Cavallo told a news conference.

He said an immediate goal was to eliminate arrears with multilateral financial institutions to smooth the path toward requesting further funds.

"Yesterday we paid \$40 million to the fund and we are planning to do the same with the World Bank

and IADB in order to eliminate the arrears and to prepare to get additional funding both in the case of the IADB and World Bank also," Cavallo said.

Argentina has piled up \$3.5 billion in interest arrears since it stopped servicing most of its \$60 billion foreign debt in April 1988. The new payments reduced the interest debt.

The plan to pay off the arrears is part of a comprehensive economic programme of newly inaugurated Argentine President Carlos Menem to lift Argentina from its worst economic crisis, Cavallo said.

It also includes cuts in government spending and increases in tax revenue to stem hyper-inflation and foster foreign and domestic private investment, according to Cavallo.

GIB profits surge

Assets growing

NICOSIA, July 21, (Reuter): Gulf International Bank BSC (GIB) said it made a net profit of \$28 million in the first six months of 1989, a 10.5 per cent rise for the same period of 1988.

The Bahrain-based bank made a net profit of \$35.4 million in the first half of 1988.

GIB, Bahrain's second largest offshore bank, returned to profit last year, making a net profit of \$45.6 million after a 178.9 million loss in 1987.

GIB, in an unaudited statement received in Cyprus, said its assets rose to \$9.6 billion in the first half of 1989 compared with \$8.8 billion for the same period last year.

The bank attributed the rise in the assets to an increase of 19.7 per cent in the loan portfolio as a result of short-term trade financing in the Arab world.

Operating income fell to \$25.53 million in 1989 from \$26.6 million in 1988.

GIB chairman of board of directors Abdullah Saif, who is also Bahrain's monetary agency governor, said the results reflected continued growth in non-asset based earnings.

The bank said a reduction of 1.8 per cent in operating expenses and strict budgetary controls have contributed to the increase in the profit. Loans grew to \$5.4 billion from \$4.5 billion in 1988, it said.

Trade pact under review

EEC opens talks

BRUSSELS, Belgium, July 21, (AP): The European Economic Community said yesterday it had discussed a trade and economic co-operation agreement with the Soviet Union.

The Soviet Union "attaches a great interest to normalising economic and commercial relations with the community," Frans Andriessen, EEC commissioner for external relations, said in a news conference.

Last week, Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev surprised Western leaders with a letter in which he said he hoped for closer economic ties with the West.

Gorbachev wrote French President Francois Mitterrand, chairman of the Paris summit of the world's seven industrial leaders, that it was "obvious that the rest of the world can only gain by the opening to the world economy of a market such as that of the Soviet Union."

Gorbachev "is a man of quick and rapid action," Andriessen said, adding it was his impression that the Soviets "want to negotiate rapidly to have concrete results on the table."

Trade, investment and economic co-operation were discussed during a two-day meeting that began Wednesday, according to the EEC's executive commission. A further round of talks is expected in early October.

The EEC wants to obtain better access and facilities for businesses on the Soviet market, the commission said.

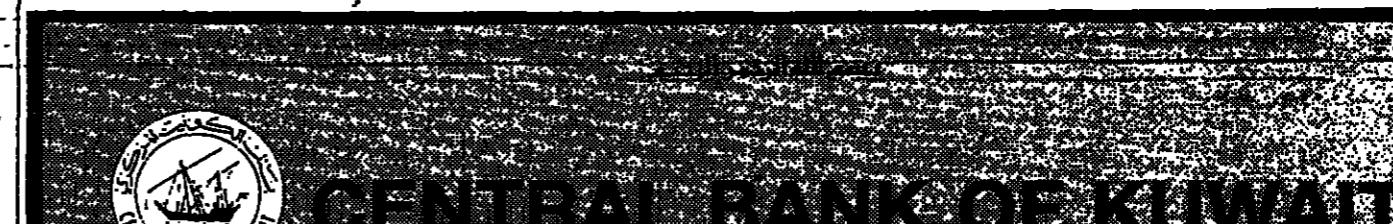
In June, Andriessen said in a speech in Moscow that the 12-nation trade bloc wanted to conclude a 10-year agreement. The pact would not offer any trade concessions to the Soviet Union, but would include "most favoured nation" treatment under international trade rules.

The accord also would offer management training, joint ventures and co-operation on the environment, energy and nuclear safety.

The EEC had a trade deficit of \$2.7 billion European Currency Units (\$2.9 billion) with the Soviet Union in 1988. The community imports mainly natural gas and petroleum products from the Soviet Union and its exports mainly manufactured products and machinery.

The EEC-Soviet talks resulted from the mutual recognition pact signed in June 1988 by the EEC and the Moscow-led Comecon trade bloc. Moscow's partners in Comecon are East Germany, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Bulgaria, Vietnam, Cuba and Mongolia.

Since then, the EEC has signed trade and co-operation agreements with Czechoslovakia and Hungary is close to signing a pact with Poland and has opened negotiations with East Germany.



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They're getting too one-sided!

Moves to kill off the B-side pop single

By David Cheal

LYING pop singles these days is an some business. For around £2, the stoner gets a seven-inch piece of vinyl containing a few minutes of music, often dubious quality, sometimes badly pressed. And on the B-side there will invariably be a "re-mix" version of the A-side, which just means that the drums are louder. No wonder sales are slumping. But now there's a new and even more vicious development in the pipeline: singles without B-sides. It's a idea which

has been tossed around in music industry circles for some time; apparently it would enable companies to cut recording and royalty costs, savings which could be passed on to the customer. Indeed, observant purchasers of the new Black Sabbath single, Devil and Daughter, will have noticed that it has no B-side. Flip it over and everything looks normal—but the groove is empty. Is this the shape of things to come?

A press officer said: "The 12-inch version of the single has an interview with the band on the B-side (by Dante Bon-

utto of Raw magazine), but for the seven-inch single they didn't want to edit it down, so they just left the B-side blank and released it at a special low price." Some might say that depriving the world of a few minutes of Black Sabbath is an act of supreme humanitarianism. But have record companies forgotten that some of pop music's finest appeared on B-sides which, thanks to word-of-mouth and radio airplay, became A-sides?

To name but a few: Rod Stewart's "Maggie May" (originally the B-side of "Reason to Believe"); the Average White Band's "Pick up the Pieces"; "Mull of Kintyre", by Wings (the B-side of "Girl's School"); the Stylistics' "You Make Me Feel Brand New" (far more successful than the A-side, "Only for the Children"); "Brown Girl in the Ring" (which began life as the B-side of "Rivers of Babylon"); together, they went on to become the third best-selling single of all time); "Punin' on the Style" by Lonnie Donegan ("Gamblin' Man"); Jilted John's charming ode to teenage love, "Jilted John" ("Going Steady"); "Chicago", by Frank Sinatra ("All the Way").

Then there are the singles which, because both sides were of equal merit, became double A-sides. The Beatles' unbeatable combinations: "Peony Lane"/"Strawberry Fields", "Yellow Submarine"/"Eleanor Rigby", "Day

Tripper"/"We Can Work It Out"; and the Rolling Stones' "Let's Spend The Night Together"/"Rugby Tuesday".

Today's record companies would look in horror at the waste in reusing two great songs on one record when more money could be made by releasing them separately. But in an era so rich in quality music, groups could afford to be generous. David Jacobs, who in the 1960s presented "Juke Box Jury" and "Pick of the Pops", says that when they were selecting records they ignored the label. "We played both sides and decided for ourselves what the A-side was. And there were occasions when the record company had clearly chosen wrongly."

And for many artists the B-side was a chance to re-explore their roots. "Amsterdam", David Bowie's cover of the Jacques Brel song on the B-side of his 1973 hit single "Sorrows", springs to mind. Or to have fun: for The Who in the Sixties, the B-side was an opportunity to indulge their juvenile sense of humour and allow Keith Moon to whistle a tune or John Entwistle to air one of his dreadful compositions. In 1969 the Beatles counteracted the pomposity of "Let It Be" by putting a bizarre curiosity called "You Know My Name (I've got your number)" on the B-side.

If it weren't for the B-side the Damned's first single, 1977, would not have been backed by a song called "Singalong-

gascables", which lasts 57 seconds. Jon-athan King, who had a string of bubblegum hits in the 1970s, believed that B-sides were a waste of time, but rather than leave them blank, King, ever the opportunist, recorded advertisements—for his own record company.

Backwards

And at least two singles have had B-sides consisting of the A-side played backwards: in 1966, Napoleon XIV's "They're Coming To Take Me Away Ha-Ha-Ha!", and last year Transvision Vamp's "Tell That Girl To Shut Up" (the latter was some kind of protest against the futility of throw-away B-sides.)

Of course, not every record company is thinking of doing away with the B-side; many I spoke to said that a good B-side could attract more purchases. True: If the B-side of "Devil and Daughter" had been a rare recording of Black Sabbath gorging Listerine, doubtless a few die-hard devotees would have bought the single on the strength of it.

But at the root of the problem of the disappearing B-side is the fact that the pop single is having a crisis. Most singles lose money. They are promotional devices aimed at persuading people to buy LPs, which are more profitable.

However, quite how doing away with B-sides will resolve this crisis is uncertain.

Madonna new US No. 1

Soul II Soul still in top slot

by Milli Vanilli, topped to sixth place.

Birds by Prince, from the big summer hit movie "Birdman," flew from out of nowhere to fourth.

US Top Ten

The top 10 pop singles, as rated by Cash Box Magazine, with last week's positions in brackets.

1. (3) Express Yourself — Madonna (Sire-Warner Brothers).

2. (4) If You Don't Know Me By Now — Simply Red (Elektra).

3. (1) Good Thing — Fine Young Cannibals (I.R.S.).

4. (14) Birdman — Prince (Paisley Park — Warner Brothers).

5. (9) Toy Soldiers — Martika (Columbia).

6. (2) Baby Don't Forget My Number — Milli Vanilli (Arista).

7. (5) I Drove All Night — Cyndi Lauper (Epic).

8. (10) What You Don't Know — Expose (Arista).

9. (6) Satisfied — Richard Marx (EMI).

10. (12) Lay Your Hands On Me — Bon Jovi (Mercury-Polygram).

The top 10 country-western singles, as rated by Cash Box Magazine, with last week's positions in brackets:

1. (5) Cathy's Clown — Reba McEntire (MCA).

2. (6) Houston Solution — Ronnie Milsap (RCA).

3. (3) What's Going On In Your World — George Strait (MCA).

4. (7) Why'd You Come In Here Lookin' Like That — Dolly Parton (Columbia).

5. (1) She's Got a Single Thing in Mind — Conway Twitty (MCA).

6. (10) Love Has No Right — Billy Joe Royal (Atlantic America).

7. (2) Lovin' Only Me — Ricky Skaggs (Epic).

8. (12) Sunday in the South — Shenandoah (Columbia).

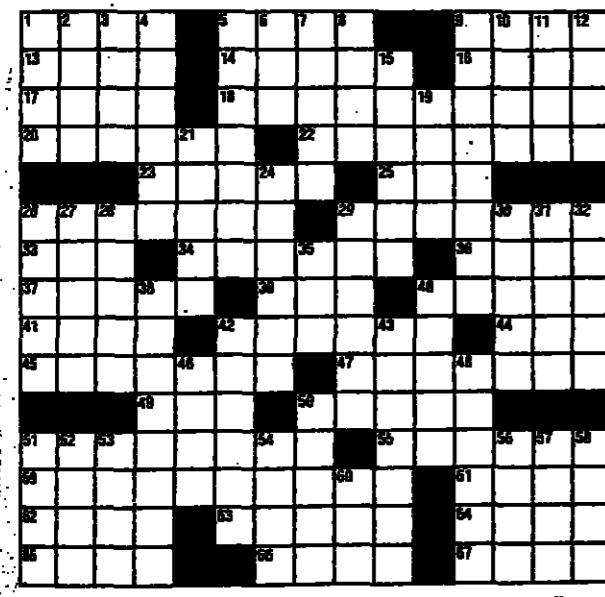
9. (9) In a Letter To You — Eddy Raven (Universal).

10. (4) Hole in My Pocket — Ricky Van Shelton (Columbia).

Flip promotion: like many songs, Rod Stewart's 'Maggie May' moved over from B-side to A.

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TODAY'S CROSSWORD



GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN AND OMAR SHARIF

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BRIDGE QUIZ

Q.1—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦K93 ♦AQ10952 ♦7 ♦AKQ

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 ♦ Pass 1 NT Pass

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What do you bid now?

A.—Playing in hearts, your hand is worth 20 points. Partner should have at least 6 HCP for his response, and probably at least two hearts to give you an eight-card fit. So bid what you think you can make—four hearts.

Q.2—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦Q1063 ♦93 ♦AQ9 ♦AQ86

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass

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What do you bid now?

A.—Although you have a balanced minimum, this is not the hand for a rebid of one no trump. Make it a rule never to bypass a four-card major; if you do happen to have a 4-4 fit, it is the most flexible contract of all to handle. Rebid one spade.

Q.3—As South, vulnerable, you hold:

♦73 ♦AB7 ♦94 ♦AQJ1062

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass

2 ♦ Pass

?

What action do you take?

A.—If partner has a diamond stopper, three no trump could be a lay-down; at worst, it will be on a finesse. The way to advise partner of the problem is by bidding three hearts. If he has a diamond stopper, he will convert to three no trump. If he simply returns to four clubs, you will have to toss in the towel, but you will have done your all to get to game.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

♦K109 ♦862 ♦A103 ♦AQ104

The bidding has proceeded:

South West North East

1 ♦ Pass 1 ♦ Pass

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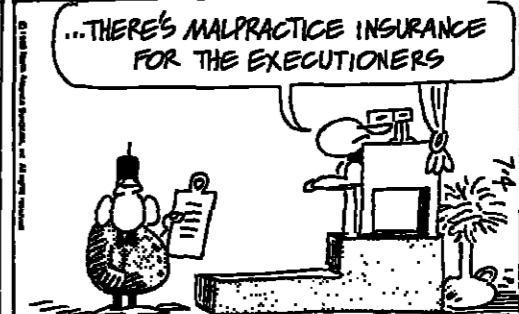
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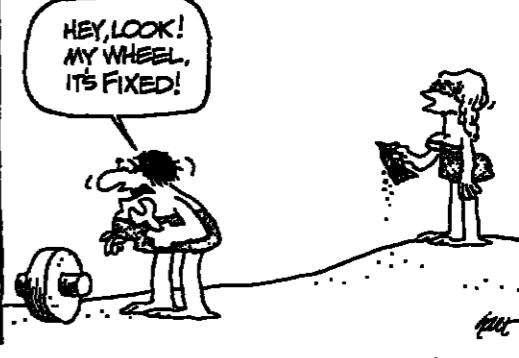
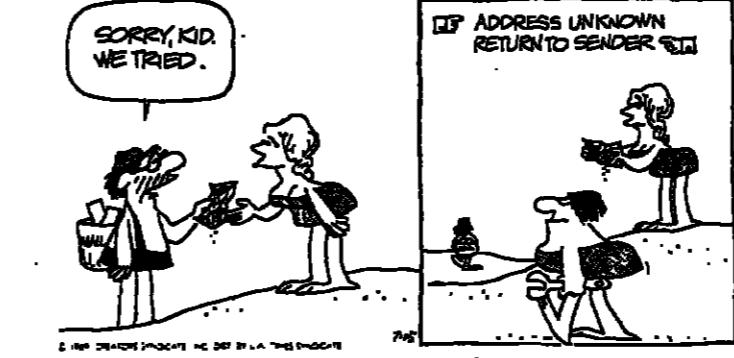
A.—With only 13 HCP, it might seem judicious to pass. However, the point count doesn't do your hand full justice. Your prime cards

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By Johnny Hart

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Cancer (June 21 - July 21)

Do not allow work to invade and destroy your private life. There is no reason to be discouraged by a small setback. You should not jump to them. Avoid being too cheeky or naughty. Be sincere.



Libra (Sept 22 - Oct 22)

There is no time to waste but nor should you do things in too great a rush. You will be able to draw the correct conclusions but you should not jump to them. Avoid being too cheeky or naughty. Be sincere.



Capricorn (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

You should keep your wits very much about you: do not be taken unawares. Your lucky numbers are 22 and 3. A letter should be answered without delay. You are liable to take a hobby rather too seriously. Be observant.



Aquarius (Jan 20 - Feb 18)

Do not do anything that might embarrass your partner. You should try to be a little more tidy instead of wasting time looking for things. You will find it easier to do what has to be done. Be patient.



Pisces (Feb 19 - March 19)

You should try to consider the matter from every point of view. If you consider yourself hard done by try to look at the positive side of the situation. Do not expect others to put your interests before theirs. Be responsive.

Gemini (May 20 - June 20)

Avoid worrying about what remains to be done; just get on with it. You will be better able to adopt to circumstances. Do not make up your mind in a hurry and do not make up your mind on the spur of the moment. Be fair.

Leo (July 22 - Aug 21)

You should make sure you do not lose sight of your objectives. Do try to rid yourself of some recentments and prejudices. You are more liable to become excitable and should do your best to control yourself. Be methodical.

Virgo (Aug 22 - Sept 21)

Do your best not to make a nuisance of yourself, nor should you allow others to prey upon you. Make sure you do not neglect some small skin or stomach disorder. Do not take too much for granted. Be moderate.

Sagittarius (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

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SPORTS

Judge delays Rose case until July 31

COLOMBUS, Ohio, July 21, (Reuters): A judge said yesterday he would not rule until July 31 at the earliest on whether Pete Rose's lawsuit against baseball authorities over gambling allegations should be tried in a state or federal court.

The decision means that the Cincinnati Reds manager and former baseball star will be protected from possible suspension

or firing for another two weeks.

Judge John Holschuh of the US District Court set the probable date for his ruling after listening to lawyers for Rose and baseball commissioner A. Bartlett Giamatti.

Rose, who holds the career record for most hits, has asked the courts to stop Giamatti from holding a disciplinary hearing

into his case. Investigators for baseball have alleged that he gambled heavily and bet on some of his own games.

The latter charge, if proven, could result in Rose being banished from the game for life.

Rose wants the case heard in a state court in Cincinnati where he built his baseball legend and where a judge in the

court involved has already ruled once in his favour.

Giamatti's lawyers contend a federal court would be less likely swayed by local prejudice.

Rose is seeking a long-term order blocking Giamatti from holding the hearing. A temporary order has been in place since last month.

Lancaster takes Cubs to victory

Chicago pitcher shocks Giants

NEW YORK, July 21, (AP): Chicago Cub's pitcher Les Lancaster shocked the San Francisco Giants with a run-scoring double in the 11th inning to lift the Cubs a 4-3 victory.

"Believe it or not, I was looking for it," Lancaster said. "The pitch was a hanging slider," Lancaster said. "I didn't over-

swing." Lancaster, batting for just the second time this season, hit a hard grounder off the glove of third baseman Ken Oberkfell that rolled down the left field line. Wilkerson scored easily as the Cubs snapped San Francisco's five-game winning streak.

Expos 4, Reds 1

Mark Langston continued in his role as Montreal's stopper with 13 strikeouts.

Langston, 7-3, since his acquisition from Seattle on May 25, reached double figures for the fourth time in 11 National League starts. He led the American League in strikeouts three of the last five seasons.

The only run Langston allowed came in the first inning on Todd Bengzinger's 10th home run.

Cardinals 7, Padres 1

Tom Brunansky hit a three-run homer and Joe Magrane allowed five hits in eight innings for



Chicago pitcher Mike Bilecki in action against Dodgers on Wednesday. Cubs won this game 9-5 and yesterday beat Giants 4-3. (Reuter wirephoto)

his sixth straight victory as St Louis snapped a four-game losing streak.

Magrane, 11-6, walked four and struck out five while shutting down the Padres, who had scored

26 runs in their two previous games. Todd Worrell pitched a hitless ninth inning.

Mets 4, Braves 1

Darryl Strawberry hit his 21st homer and drove in three runs as New York won a game delayed twice by rain for a total of 1:48.

Bob Ojeda, 6-9, gave up two hits in 5 2/3 innings to win for the first time in five starts since June 26. Both hits off Ojeda — who walked six — were singles by Andres Thomas, the second driving in a run in the sixth.

Oakland's Dave Stewart won his 14th game last night, tied for most in the Majors, by leading the Athletics to a 5-2 victory over Baltimore Orioles.

"On any given day, I'm capable of beating any team in this League," said Stewart, hit hard last week in his All-star game start.

Those given days have rarely come against Baltimore, a team that turned Stewart down for a tryout when he was temporarily out of baseball in early 1986.

Stewart, a 20-game winner the past two seasons, had not beaten the Orioles since Aug. 29, 1986.

Dennis Eckersley pitched one inning for his 15th save. It was his first save since May 21, just before he hurt his arm and went on the disabled list.

Rangers 6, Yankees 2
Nolan Ryan struck out 11 in 7 1/3 innings and won his 284th career game, pitching Texas past visiting New York.

Ryan, 11-6, gave up five hits and did not walk a batter. He leads the Majors with 166 strikeouts, and fanned at least 10 batters for the ninth time this year and the 19th time in his career.

Indians 4, Royals 0

Greg Swindell got his 13th victory, pitching two-hit ball for seven innings as Cleveland won at Royals stadium. Kansas City leads the Majors with a 32-13 home record.

Swindell, 13-2, won for the ninth time in 10 decisions. Jesse Orosco and Doug Jones each pitched one hitless inning.

Mariners 5, Blue Jays 2

Scott Bankhead set a team record with his eighth consecutive victory — also an Al high this season — as Seattle beat Toronto.

Results

American League

Oakland	5	Baltimore	2
California	4	Seattle	3
Texas	6	New York	0
Cleveland	4	Kansas City	6
Seattle	5	Toronto	2

National League

Chicago	4	San Francisco	3
Montreal	4	Cincinnati	0
New York	4	Atlanta	1
St Louis	1	San Diego	1



Larry Hazzard, chairman of the New Jersey Boxing Commission, lifts Tyson's (left) and Williams' arm after the weigh-in. (Reuter wirephoto)

Williams ready to take on Tyson

ATLANTIC CITY, New Jersey, July 21, (AP): Carl "The Truth" Williams planned to be daring in the ring against Mike Tyson this evening.

"You've got to take a chance out there," the 29-year-old challenger said on Wednesday. "No matter what happens, you can bet one thing: I will take a chance."

Tyson seems little phased by Williams' pre-fight talk.

"Regardless of what he does, I'm going to fight my fight until I'm successful," Tyson said. "I can't see anything he can do to win this fight."

Neither can the odds-makers.

The unbeaten, 23-year-old Tyson is 12-1 favourite to retain the undisputed heavyweight championship in a scheduled 12-round bout at the Atlantic City Convention Centre.

"I was a 50-1 underdog against Holmes."

Holmes, the Netherlands, is the five-time European indoor champion at 60 metres and the 1989 world indoor champion.

Sowell, who burst into prominence this year with several clockings under 11.00 seconds, including a world-leading 10.78 that made her the No. 3 performer in history, recently joined Flo-Jo International, the running club formed by Griffith Joyner and her husband, Al Joyner, both Olympic champions.

She made her debut with her new team last month in the US Outdoor Track and Field Championships at Houston, and showed almost the same speed and flashy attire that made Griffith Joyner an international star in 1988.

Sowell won the 100-metre title in 10.91, the second-fastest time in the world this year, while wearing a Flo-Jo-like metallic gold-and-black leotard over a white body suit.

"I hope she can keep it up until the (1991) world championships and the Olympic Games at Barcelona."

Cooman, who has not competed in two weeks because of an ailing back and a mysterious insect bite that caused blood poisoning, said she was feeling better and hoped to break her personal best of 11.08. But she said she had little hope of beating Sowell.

"She's very good," Cooman said. "She's running very well. She's a little better than me."

Molson-Indy race

TORONTO, July 21, (AP): Frustration has a firm hold on team Andretti as Mario and Michael head into Sunday's Molson-Indy race.

The first father and son team in Indy-car history, joining two of CART's hardest chargers, has not been an instant success — at least in terms of victories — this season.

After eight of the scheduled 15 races, neither Andretti has visited victory circle.

Nine of those fights and 51 of those rounds were fought under the pressure of championship competition.

Tyson weighed in at 219 1/4 pounds (99.45 kilograms) yesterday. Williams weighed 218 pounds (90.88 kilograms).

Once again, the 5-foot-11 1/2 (1.8-metre) Tyson will give away advantages in height and reach, this time 4-1/2 (11.43 centimetres) and 14 inches (35.56 centimetres), respectively.

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Sole to captain Lions

BRISBANE, Australia, July 21, (Reuter): Prop David Sole will lead the British Lions in the last match of their Australian tour against the Anzac XV tomorrow after number eight Dean Richards was forced to withdraw with a shoulder injury.

Richards, one of the chief reasons for the touring side's 2-1 victory in the Test series, was injured late in today's training session and was forced to forego the captaincy.

For their first ever match against a combined New Zealand-Australia team the Lions named 13 players who figured in the Test series.

Only centre John Devereux, who missed out on selection for the first Test due to injury, and flanker Andy Robinson — who takes the place of tour captain Finlay Calder — did not gain a Test cap on the tour.

Centre Scott Hastings will play on the wing while fellow-Scooter Craig Chalmers defend.

The Lions, after winning the deciding third Test 19-18 last Saturday, are determined to enjoy the game against the Anzac XV which contains only three

NFL still looking for successor to Rozelle

CHICAGO, July 21, (Reuter):

National Football League owners, stalled their search to find a replacement for retiring commissioner Pete Rozelle, voted on Wednesday to form a new committee to look for a successor.

The move cast further doubt on the fate of New Orleans Saints president Jim Finks who a little more than a week ago had been considered a certainty for the job.

A previous search committee, which was replaced by the one formed on Wednesday, had urged the owners earlier this month to give Finks the job.

But when the owners met in Chicago on July 6, 11 owners blocked approval of Finks, complaining that the selection process might have shut out other worthy candidates.

The new six-man committee includes Wellington Mara of the New York Giants and Lamar Hunt of the Kansas City Chiefs, who were on the old committee, and dissident owners Mike Lynn of the Minnesota Vikings and Ken Behring of the Seattle Seahawks.

They are joined by Jon Kent Cooke of the Washington Redskins and Al Davis of the Oakland Raiders who both voted for Finks.

The owners also endorsed formation of a World League of American Football, a spring competition which may play in such cities as London, Milan, Montreal, Mexico City, and points in the United States, using some regular NFL players.

It was not immediately clear whether the League would begin in the spring of 1990, which had been the target date under discussion.

Some NFL owners are looking ahead to the spring of 1991, but Tex Schramm, the former Dallas Cowboys president who will run the new League, says he can have the 12 teams ready to play by 1990.

Dan Rooney of Pittsburgh, chairman of the steering committee overseeing the new League, suggested 1991 is a more realistic starting date.

"We're looking no farther than that," he said. "That doesn't rule out 1990, but we have a lot of work to do."

Schramm, who has been touring prospective sites, said one problem is reaching television agreements in Europe, which has no single network. He said that even if the League is sold to Eurovision, a continent-wide outfit, it would have to persuade stations in each country to take the games.

Another problem is the length of the games.

"They want two-hour blocs," Schramm said. "They don't have three-hour sporting events the way we do."

Scott seeks to break Ryun's mark

NEW YORK, July 21, (AP): Steve Scott, who runs the mile, will have a big incentive for tomorrow's New York Track and Field Games.

Scott, the premier middle-distance runner in the United States for the past decade, will be trying to run the mile (1.6 kilometres) in under 3 minutes, 51.1 seconds, the fastest time ever run outdoors in the United States. That mark, set by Hall of Famer Jim Ryun, has stood since 1967.

"I've had that on my mind for 10 years," Scott said Wednesday.

If Scott should run that fast — and win — he then would be eligible for some of the bonus incentives meet executive Fred Lebow is offering in all 23 major events at the international, invitational meet at Columbia University.

And if Scott should win and break his US record of 3:47.69, set at Oslo, Norway, in 1982, or crack the world mark of 3:46.32, held by Steve Cram of Britain, then the bonus money from Lebow would increase.

"A world record in any event will be worth \$25,000. Breaking an American record will earn \$10,000. First-place finishers will get \$1,000, with \$500 for second and \$250 for third. And there will be bonus money for achieving certain times, distances or heights, such as \$1,000 for a miler cracking 3:50, no matter in which position he or she finishes."

"I don't think anyone in this country ever has done it," Lebow said of his incentive plan.

Lebow is using the bonuses to lure not only the top athletes, but to attract the "up-and-coming youngsters who have to struggle to make money on the European circuit."

The meet has attracted a number of foreign stars. One of them is Dutch runner Nellie Cooman, who will face the challenge of emerging

Frazier inducted into Hall of Fame

OKLAHOMA CITY, July 21, (AP): Joe Frazier, who went from Olympic gold to heavyweight champion, yesterday joined four other athletes and the 1960 Olympic ice hockey team as inductees into the US Olympic Hall of Fame.

Track stars Lee Evans, Bobby Joe Morrow and Mel Sheppard and weightlifter John Davis were the other athletes honoured. Roone Arledge, former president of the ABC

SPORTS BRIEFS

Star striker

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, July 21, (AP): Renato Gaucho, a star striker with Italy's Roma soccer team, will return to Rio's famed Flamengo squad, a team official said yesterday.

1996 Olympics

ATHENS, July 21, (Reuter): Greece, the birthplace of the Olympic Games some 3,500 years ago, will spend about \$2 billion in a bid to stage the centennial of the Modern Games in Athens in 1996.

McNeil falls

NEWPORT, R.I., July 21, (Reuter): Baseline Laura Gildehouse of Peru topped third-seeded Lori McNeil 7-5, 6-2 yesterday to advance to the quarterfinals of women's tennis tournament in Newport.

Winning streak

NEW YORK, July 21, (Reuter): Olympic double champion Carl Lewis defends an eight-year long jump winning streak tomorrow in the New York Games, first major summer invitational meeting in the United States for over 20 years.

Drug tests

LONDON, July 21, (Reuter): British swimming chiefs have decided against imposing drug tests at the European Junior Championships at Leeds next week but considered the possibility at recent allegations that East German swimmers were given performance-enhancing drugs.

McCallister leads

COAL VALLEY, Ill., July 21, (Reuter): Defending champion Blaine McCallister shot a five-under par 65 to earn a one-stroke lead at a \$700,000 PGA golf tournament on Thursday at the 6,060-yard Oakwood Country Club.

Two-way tie

DANVERS, Mass., July 21, (Reuter): Kathy Postlewait and Penny Hammel fired five-under-par rounds of 67 yesterday to share the first-round lead of a \$350,000 LPGA golf tournament.

Sidhu acquitted

NEW DELHI, India, July 21, (AP): Police today dropped a homicide charge against Indian Test cricketer Navjot Singh Sidhu that at one time threatened his career, Press Trust of India reported. The news agency said investigators found Sidhu innocent.

Mobil GP

NEW YORK, July 21, (AP): World record-holder Sergei Bubka of the Soviet Union, a two-time winner of the Mobil Grand Prix pole vault, has moved into a tie for the men's overall Grand Prix lead.

He is tied with high hurdler Roger Kingdom of the United States and 200-metre runner Robson de Silva of Brazil, who won in 20.24 seconds at Pescara. Each has 45 Grand Prix points.

Guadalajara win

CHICAGO, July 21, (AP): Shivas Guadalajara of Mexico defeated the Guatemala National team 2-1 last night to set up a final match with the US national team in the four-team Marlboro Cup soccer tournament at Soldier Field.

Record holder

BRISBANE, Australia, July 21, (AP): World record holder Duncan Armstrong is suffering from a mystery illness and will miss next month's Pan Pacific Swimming Championships in Tokyo, officials said today.

Exhibition games

MOSCOW, July 21, (AP): The Calgary Flames and Washington Capitals of the National Hockey League are scheduled to play exhibition games in September against Soviet teams, Tass reported.

Grady captures British Open lead

Watson and Stewart total 137

TROON, Scotland, July 21, (Reuter): Australian Wayne Grady shot a five-under-par 67 to seize the lead midway through the second round of the British Open golf championship today, with the menacing figure of Tom Watson hard on his heels.

Grady's two-round total of 135 puts him two strokes ahead of Watson, who shares second place with fellow-American Payne Stewart.

Watson played what he called "a mixed grill" of a round.

"There was luck, magic, bad shots and good shots — a typical Tom Watson round," he said.

He made 15-foot birdie puts at the second and sixth holes, chipped close for a third at 11 and made another from 15 feet at 12. He bogeyed the 13th after what he conceded was a bad tee shot but eagled the long 16th by pitching in from a bunker 60 feet away.

Then he dropped a shot at the last after driving into a fairway bunker.

Watson grits his teeth as he sinks a putt. (Reuter wirephotos)

Scores

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